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Drink robs the baby—We don't want this in Canada!

For the Sake of the Children Banish the Drink For Ever—Ontario Citizens, remember Premier Hearst has said that "Yes" to the first question brings back the Open Bar. Vote "No" four times.

THE DRINK CURSE

A liquid fire, consuming heart and brain!
A treacherous foe—mon quaff their thirst to slake—
Alas! 'tis deadly as a poisonous snake
With luring eyes, but bite of fatal pain
Gaze on its wretched victims; see its slain
Unnumbered. Drunkard, gaze and quake!
That fate is thine, if thou wilt not awake
To danger, and throw off its binding chain.
There is an antidote to liquor's blight,
Sufficient power to free thee from its sway.
What! dost thou say thy case is hopeless Nay,
God lives! Come then to Him and prove His might;
That raging fire within thy tortured breast
Can quenched be, He waits to give Thee rest. —J. G.

HOW TO BE SAVED

No matter what other knowledge you may have you must know yourself a sinner, or you will not be likely to seek Salvation. The realization that you have sinned, and that unless you find favour with God you must be lost, will help you to a proper appreciation of the value of Christ's coming into the world, and dying upon the cross as a remedy for sin. To benefit by His death you must repent and turn from your sins, and ask God for Christ's sake to forgive you for the past and help you in the future. If you do this with your whole heart, and exercise faith in Him, He will save your soul and give you the witness of the Spirit that you are born again.

THE SEARCHLIGHT

Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that putteth thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken also.

Who hath woe? Who hath sorrow? They that tarry long at the wine.

Be not drunk with wine wherein is excess.

No drunkards shall inherit the Kingdom of God.

He is also able to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him.

The Use of Intoxicating Drink

BY THE LATE MRS. GENERAL BOOTH

THE use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage is the cause and strength of a very large proportion of the wickedness, crime, vice, and misery which exist around us. With this proposition many of us are sadly too familiar; it needs neither proof nor illustration; indeed, with some little modification, it is coming to be admitted in nlmost all quarters, even amongst the greatest enemies of our principles.

Satan-Invented Abomination

The time is fast passing in which there has existed a difference of opinion amongst the wise and good, as to the real character of these drinks.

We have no hesitation in affirming that strong drink is Satan's chief instrumentality for keeping people under his power.

What is to be done? How shall we deal with the drink? We answer, in the name of Christ and humanity, deal with it as you do with all other Satan-invented, Christ-dishonouring, soul-ruining abominations. Wash your hands of it at once, and for ever! And give a united and straightforward testimony to the world that you consider it an enemy of all righteousness and the legitimate offspring of Satan!

I submit that there is no other way for Christians to deal with strong drink. All other ways have been tried and have failed. The time has come for Christians to denounce the use of intoxicating drinks as irreligious and immoral.

Signally Failed

We contend that the attempt to make what is termed the moderate use of strong drink consistent with a profession of religion has signally and ignominiously failed; and the common sense of mankind is turning upon those who have made it with these most pertinent questions—How can that be a good thing? and if it be an evil thing, how can it be moderately used?

We all profess to believe that prevention is better than cure; seeing, then, that strong drink is proved to be the most dangerous foe to perseverance in righteousness, and the most potent cause of declension, inconsistency, and apostasy, ought not Christians to strive, both by example and precept, to warn the young, the weak and the inexperienced from touching it?

Can any man answer for the consequences of putting a bottle to his neighbour's mouth, be it ever such a small one, or ever such a genteel one? God has recorded His curse against the man who does this, and thousands of hoary-headed parents, broken-hearted wives, and weeping, blighted children groan their amens to the dreadful sentence!

Perchance there are some men who can take these drinks in what they call moderation, and suffer no visible injury; nevertheless, let that man beware who touches that which God has cursed, for there are injuries invisible more to be dreaded than all the plagues of Egypt!

Heart-broken Parents

But, suppose some people could take these drinks without hurting themselves, will they dare answer for their children? Alas! there are thousands of parents to-day whose grey hairs are sinking in sorrow to the grave through the intemperance of sons and daughters, who first acquired a taste for drink by sipping out of their own glasses, never used but in moderation!

O Christians! by your peace of conscience on a dying bed; by the eternal destinies of your children; by your concern for the glory of your God; by your care for neverdying souls; by the love you owe your Saviour, I beseech you banish the drink.

Arise, Christians, arise, and fight this foe! You, and you alone are able, for your God will fight for you! Oh, come up to His help against this mighty champion of hell, and He will empower you to lay him low, and take all his armour wherein he trusted.

"OUT OF THE RUTS"

United and Continued Effort Will Bring the Victory

What might be said of the open-air ruts—no preparation and too long preachments? Some years ago I saw a man walk away from an outside meeting, and heard him say, as he walked off, "She talks too long." A sister was in the ring giving her testimony and had gone on talking after she had finished—that is, she spoke first with some interest and then kept repeating herself. The crowd enjoys the varied testimonies, and the service is far more interesting and the comrades enjoy it better and turn out more readily when they have had some little part in the proceedings.

Let us pray and work to make this Campaign one of the greatest and best the Army has ever organized, and we shall surely reap if we faint not. A man stood looking at a stone-mason trying to break a large stone with what seemed a very small hammer. "You can never do it," he said. "That shows all you know about breaking stones," was the reply, as the mason hammered away industriously. After hundreds of the peckings there came a slight crack. A few more and the great stone fell apart.

"Now," asked the workman, "can you tell me which one of those blows it was which broke the stone?" "Why the last one, to be sure!"

"There you are wrong. It was the first blow, and the last blow, and all the middle ones."

May we all get out of the ruts and begin to work. The stones may be large and our hammer appear small, but the first and last and middle blows will break in pieces the coldness and indifference and bring glory to God, and many will praise Him for the "Out of the Ruts" Campaign.

—Mrs. Adjutant Kendall.

WORTH REMEMBERING

Without courage there cannot be truth; and without truth there can be no other virtue.

The business of life can become so holy that the spiritual life may eat of it as of a sacrament, and charity may strike the richest water out of its rugged rocks.

Free Men or Slaves?

WHO SHALL RULE—Christ or the devil?—that is the issue. Shall the soul be master in its own house?—that is the question for you and me. And it is of such vital importance to every reader of "The War Cry" that, beside it, what are generally considered the pressing problems of the day do not count.

Trade, education, politics, may have their place in our lives, but when compared with the urgent proposition as to who shall control our moral being—all these things pale into insignificance.

"He that committeth sin is the servant of sin."

An illustration of this is seen in the boy who tells a lie. When the wrong is committed, his first thought is, "How can I escape the consequences of that act?" And more often than not resource is had to a second lie—this time deliberate and cold-blooded.

Or, we might speak of the bank clerk who misappropriates his firm's money; always intending, of course, to repay. He gets deeper and deeper into the mire, borrows larger sums, and his conscience, which formerly made him wince at the thought of taking a cent stamp which did not belong to him, becomes seared and hardened. Deeper and deeper he plunges—now absolutely insensible to the terrible consequences of his wrong—until he becomes hopelessly involved.

The same slavish effects are seen in those who indulge in drinking, gambling, swearing, acts of cruelty, and the hundred and one other forms of sin.

And yet, strange as it may seem, this slavery is a matter of our own choice. We are free to say yes or no. Freedom or slavery, that is the question, but thousands of people are prepared to mortgage this Calvary-bought liberty for present possession of the paltry and fleeting pleasures of the world.

But there is a wonderful Saviour, a mighty Deliverer, who, by His death and resurrection, provided pardon for the past and a glorious hope for the future. Then why be slaves?

"He breaks the power of cancelled sin, He sets the prisoner free."

How many have proved that this liberty-bringing power can not only change the vilest life and make it beautiful as the lily, but can also keep the soul in continual communion with God!

This liberty of Salvation from sin is your privilege, your inalienable right, in spite of what men and devils may say. Why then be enchained by doubt and sin?

SOME REASONS WHY WE WANT PROHIBITION

The Withering Blight of Alcohol—It Is Injurious to Health and a Cause of Insanity and Crime—Lowers the Efficiency of Workers and Hinders National Progress

FOR centuries the human race has been under a delusion about alcohol. Modern Science has pronounced alcohol a deadly narcotic poison.

Five ounces of alcohol will kill a full-grown healthy man within ten hours. Taken in smaller but repeated doses alcohol lets him live longer but gets him in the end. All alcoholic beverages are poison, slow or swift—but sure.

A National Curse

Medical Science has established these incontrovertible facts: Alcohol is a racial poison. Alcohol is a national curse. Alcohol is a blight on the home. Alcohol injures the individual and lowers his vitality. Alcohol decreases his efficiency, makes him more susceptible to disease and shortens his life.

The unconsciousness or coma produced by alcohol if not broken within ten or twelve hours is followed by practically certain death.

Alcohol as medicine has been expelled from the American Pharmacopoeia upon the authority of the American Medical Association comprising 81,000 physicians of the United States.

Beer drinking produces degeneracy and affects children yet unborn.

Pneumonia is fatal to alcoholic patients.

Surgical operations are much more dangerous to habitual beer drinkers.

Alcohol lowers resistance to disease.

Alcohol lowers the efficiency of the liver, kidneys, heart, arteries and nervous system, and produces organic disease.

Deaths among moderate drinkers in the prime of life exceed those among total abstainers by 74 per cent. 251 per cent. Alcohol in Beer makes it poison.

Judgment of Physicians

One of the most frequent objections to prohibition is based upon the supposed necessity for alcohol in times of sickness. In this connection it is instructive to have the published judgment of many eminent physicians to the effect that alcohol is really injurious to health.

"Perfectly good health will, in my opinion, always be injured by small doses of alcohol"—Sir Andrew Clarke.

"Alcohol is not essential; not only so, but it is absolutely deleterious to life"—Prof. Sims Woodhead.

"A moderate use of alcohol, taken in any form, has a tendency to quietly, but surely, deteriorate the tissues of the body"—W. McAdam Eccles.

"It (Alcohol) diminishes very greatly the power of the muscles; and it diminishes the intellectual power of the nervous system"—Sir Victor Horsley.

Diminishes Resistance

"Alcohol, in excess, has the power of diminishing resistance to disease, to a greater degree probably, than anything else"—Sir Thomas Clouston.

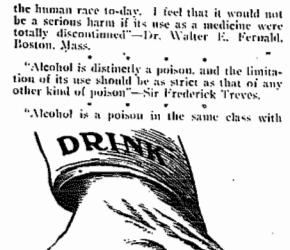
"Let us never forget that alcohol lessens the power of resistance to acute illness, like pneumonia and influenza"—Sir Thomas Barlow.

"Whiskey has killed thousands where it cured one"—J. N. McCormack, M.D., Secretary Kentucky Board of Health.

"I believe that alcohol is the greatest foe to the human race to-day. I feel that it would not be a serious harm if its use as a medicine were totally discontinued"—Dr. Walter E. Fernald, Boston, Mass.

"Alcohol is distinctly a poison, and the limitation of its use should be as strict as that of any other kind of poison"—Sir Frederick Treves.

"Alcohol is a poison in the same class with opium, cocaine, and other deadly drugs"—Lieutenant-Colonel J. W. S. McCullough, Toronto.



Drink Menaces the Health and Happiness of Every Home Which it Enters

"Cancer is more rapid and more distressing among those who take alcohol"—Sir A. Pearce Gould, K.C.V.O.

"Beer is exceedingly injurious and dangerous as a beverage. It has no scientific medical indorsements of which I know"—Dr. Howard Atwood Kelly, Johns Hopkins University.

Drives People Insane

That alcohol is directly responsible for driving people insane is also stated by eminent men.

"Since the passage of the Ontario Temperance Act alcoholic insanity has practically disappeared," says Dr. C. K. Clarke, Canada's most foremost Alienist.

Next to "mental strain, overwork and worry," "Alcoholism" is the chief assigned cause of insanity, according to the yearly reports issued by the Ontario Government. Since the Ontario Temperance Act went into force private hospitals for alcoholics, "Gold Cures," etc., have been closed.

"Alcohol is a prevalent cause of imbecility, idiocy and feeble-mindedness"—G. E. Shuttleworth, M.D.

"A very large proportion indeed of cases of insanity have intemperate parents"—Dr. Wiglesworth.

"I know lots of good workmen who have gone into asylums for repeated attacks of delirium tremens, and they often become permanently insane"—Sir Chas. Cameron.

"Insanity is undoubtedly in many cases brought on by indulgence in alcohol"—Heywood Smith, M.H.

Prolific Source of Crime

Often we read in the papers of terrible tragedies in which a man murders his wife or his children. Drink is, more often than not, the root cause of these.

"Alcohol is the most potent factor in the production of crime, and I have never known of a case of wife-murder not committed under the influence of liquor"—The late Dr. Gilmour.

"Nearly all the crime which fills our jails is traced to drink"—The late Admiral Beresford.

"Excessive drinking is one of the chief sources of crime and poverty and of mental and bodily diseases"—Sir Thomas Clouston.

Gives False Sensation

"From earliest times men have deluded themselves into thinking that the enlargement of life can be attained through "wine, that maketh glad the heart. The fact is that the elevation of the spirit through alcohol is a delusion. It does not keep out the cold, it lets out the heat. It gives a false sensation of warmth. But it is only sensation"—James Miller.

"Alcohol lowers the temperature of the body" —Sir George Paget.

The feeling of well being which follows the drinking of small doses of alcohol is an illusion. People think, as it gives a temporary stimulus, that it must be good to take it and they are led blindly on till they fall into the pit.

Hindrance to Work

That drinking lowers the efficiency of workers and hinders the progress of nations is a fact made only too patent of late years. This is what medical men and others say regarding this phase of the question:

"Both mental and bodily work are best done without alcohol"—George Carpenter, M.D.

"Alcohol in ordinary circumstances is a serious hindrance to work"—Sir Andrew Clarke.

"Alcohol is an insidious foe to the upward progress of the human race"—Dr. Wilson.

"For social progress the only hope of society is to abstain from evil, of which alcohol is one, and not the least"—Heywood Smith, M.A.

"Chronic alcoholism is a serious menace to our national welfare"—Dr. W. Ford Robertson.

"It is impossible for a man to keep fit if he takes alcohol"—Sir Frederick Treves.

"Alcohol pollutes whatever it touches. It enervates where it does not enslave, it destroys slowly that it does not disease; for the community it is a murrain, for the nation it becomes a self-inflicted obstacle to all phases in their progress" —Rt. Hon. John Burns, M.P.

Too Small for Both

A sober nation earns more—lives better. Pay taxes direct—not through the saloon—and there will be fewer taxes to pay.

"The world is moving at a terrific rate—a pace heretofore unknown. Both men and methods are geared up to a speed previously unheard of. The hand at the throttle of to-day's business or machine must be steady—the head clear. The old order of things has passed into the discard."

Such are the words on the cover of a pictorial folder issued by the Referendum Committee.

One universe is too small to hold both the liquor traffic and the decent humanity it outrages daily. There is but one open path for him who heeds "the still small voice."

Every Salvationist is an avowed and open enemy to the dreaded and damnable drink traffic, and the weight of opinion from what we have been able to gather of others outside the Army, who care for the welfare of the nation, is that the only safe side of the saloon is the outside, and the only safe and sane line to take with the drink is to leave it alone.

LATEST NEWS of SALVATION FIGHTING ON THE FIELD

PARRY SOUND VETERANS.

Enjoy Supper and Social at the Army Hall—Mayor Hall Gives an Address

A supper and social was given to Veterans and their wives and families by the Parry Sound Corps on September 17th. In reporting this event the "North Star" says:

"It was a great affair. Amongst the Parry Sound heroes were sprinkled a generous contingent from Depot Harbor and the whole voted it an evening to be remembered. Rev. Mr. Binnie was in the chair. His opening remarks were in the form of a stirring address, which could not fail to impress any one who was privileged to hear it.

The Band played a march with the usual harmony and spirit which is characteristic of their performance.

His Worship Mayor Hall gave a masterly address, sprinkling his graver remarks with those inimitable touches of humor which are so peculiarly his own.

Mr. Allen, late president of the Great War Veterans' Association, in an apt little speech, moved a vote of thanks to the Salvation Army on the part of the returned men. The secretary of the Great War Veterans, also spoke on behalf of the Association."

Captain and Mrs. Brewer, the Commanding Officers, are to be congratulated on the success of this event.

LETHBRIDGE

Visit of Envoys Alward and Burditt

On September 7th inspiring meetings were conducted by the Corps Officers, Adjutant and Mrs. Johnstone. The Holiness service was a rich time of blessing to all present.

In the afternoon Mrs. Johnstone conducted a bright praise meeting. The Adjutant, assisted by Sister Mrs. Clapham and Envoy Dawson, led the jail service, one hundred and fifty prisoners were in attendance. The Salvation meeting at night was powerful.

On the following week-end, September 13th and 14th, Envoys Burditt, of Winnipeg, and Alward, of Toronto, led the meetings. The Officers and comrades were greatly cheered and blessed.

At the morning meeting Envoy Burditt gave a searching address on the subject of service. Our hearts greatly rejoiced in the return of a backslider to Christ.

The afternoon meeting was led by Envoy Alward. In the night meeting the visiting comrades gave an earnest message from practical experience. Good crowds attended all the meetings.—H. D.

TWEED, ONT.

Visit of Divisional Commander

Lieut.-Colonel Betridge spent the week-end, September 20th and 28th at Tweed and conducted the Harvest Festival services. His visit was very much appreciated by Officers, Soldiers and friend.

We are looking forward to a good time this winter. Our Harvest Festival target has been smashed.—I. J.

NEWS FROM QUEBEC

Harvest Festival Victory—Good Open-Air Work in Progress—Small Band Helps Out

Quebec was never looked upon as "Something Easy," but nevertheless we keep on "sawing wood" and we have a happy knack of being able to produce the goods at the right time. Take Harvest Festival for instance, Captain Antoine has accumulated the sum of $150 by her own individual effort.

Our open-air work is very interesting. We cannot help the Captain much with the speaking, but we are not doing so bad with the singing, and then our baby Band helps some. Ensign Gregory plays the Cornet, Ensign Lewis the trombone, and your humble servant also toots the cornet. Then we have Captain Knight with a banjo, and Captain Webster joins in with the singing.

The Quebecers are wondering where all the Salvationists are springing from, and doubtless some good is going to be the result. Captain Antoine certainly works very hard to make the French Canadians understand the Gospel message.

We are all doing the very best under the circumstances, pray that the Grace of God will continue to be sufficient for all His workers in Quebec.—Joseph Beecroft, Adjutant.

FATHER AND SON

Rush to Mercy Seat at Lindsay—An Affecting Sight—Visit to Aged People's Refuge

During the week-end meetings conducted at Lindsay by Envoy Osborne (September 27-29) a very touching incident occurred in the night meeting.

A comrade was singing, "Since Jesus came into my heart," and it so affected a man in the congregation that he sent a request for the song to be sung again. A comrade spoke to him about his soul and he did not take much persuading, but leaped forward and knelt at the Cross.

His son followed him and they wept together and embraced each other in a very affecting manner, which brought tears to many eyes. He had been singing in a choir for many a year, but no one had asked him about his soul.

They came to the meeting on Monday night and prayed, giving God thanks for what He had done.

The meeting at the Aged People's Refuge was one not to be forgotten. As Sister Stubbins sang the dear people were moved to tears. Sister Mrs. Cross prayed fervently and some very bright testimonies were given. Four held up their hands for prayer.

PROHIBITION CHORUS

Is Sung Heartily at Special Meeting in North Toronto Hall—Good Sunday Meetings

At a meeting held in the interests of the coming Referendum at the North Toronto Hall on Tuesday evening, September 30th, Mr. Dyson made a significant statement when he said, "We have not had a better meeting in the Ward." This, coupled with his expression of appreciation of Captain Coull's assistance in arranging the meeting was an indication to all of the Salvation Army's attitude toward the prohibition question.

Dr. Forfar led the congregation in singing a very militant chorus—"Hurrah! Hurrah! the bar-room has to go," to the tune of "Gorgo."

Mr. R. D. Richardson, Secretary of the Zenana Bible Mission, presided, and spoke of his memories of the Army forty years ago.

The Band and Songsters provided music during the evening. Adjutant Sparks gave a brief address. Treasurer Bradshaw and Brother Wass, Senior, also took an active part.

On Sunday, September 28th, we held our Junior Harvest Festival services. The Holiness meeting was conducted by Sister Mrs. Tunnicliffe. Two young women sought the blessing of a clean heart. The afternoon meeting was led by the Young People's workers, and also the night meeting.

FAIRBANK (TORONTO)

First Cadet Farewells to Enter the Training College

On Sunday, September 28th, we held our Harvest Festival meetings. They were conducted by Envoy Brooks, and we had a very good day. Our target is well smashed.

We said farewell to one of our comrades, Cadet Gladys Rogers, who is leaving for the Training College. We are glad she has taken such a step, although she will be greatly missed. The Cadet is the first to leave this Corps for Officership and we wish her all success and that God may bless her and may she be a blessing to all she may meet.—Correspondent.

CALGARY III.

Good Musical Programme and Sale of Work—Commandant Carroll Presides

A very interesting programme of drills and music was given at Calgary III. recently, presided over by Commandant Carroll. Hoop drills and arch drills by the girls were very neatly done. Captain Sill sang, and Bandsman Billy Gray, Eric Bloomfield, Stanley Newby, Archie Loughton, Stanley Robinson and Norman Buckley, and the scribe, on violin, cornet, trombone and dulcetola, in solos and concerted pieces, presented some really choice numbers, particularly a trio by the trombones. Grace Newfort furnished a recitation, Captain MacNichol read a Scripture portion, and Captain Waterston, besides thanking those who took part, provided refreshments. A successful sale of work was linked up with the effort.—H.

The "Liberty" March

By NICHOLAS WILLS

Just listen to the trampin', just
look upon the crowd,
A sighin' and a prayin' as
they go;
The mothers sobbin' softly an'
the children cryin' loud,
An' they're marchin', march-
in' past uncommon slow.
Yes, they're marchin' out of
order, a-stragglin' far
afield,
A-cryin' out for pity on their
woe.

Just watch the tiny toddlers,
with little faces wan,
A-longin' and a-callin' for a
kiss
To father—heavy drinker—
but the semblance of a
man,
But he knocks 'em, kicks
'em down, with oath an'
hiss,
An' they run away in terror,
God!—what a price we have
to pay for this!

A sad an' long procession, the
victims of the blight,
With Bacchus reelin' wildly
at the fore;
A-staggerin' in their stupor, in
helplessness an' night,
While wife an' children beg
from door to door:
Yes, they quaff the burnin' li-
quor, an' laugh at human
ties,
An' they're cravin', cursin'
callin' out for more.

It's a mighty slow in passin',
the music doesn't play,
The cheerin' an' the shoutin'
ain't begun;
Just look! the flags are shak-
in', but they're black in-
stead of gay,
An' they're marchin' out of
step, sir, every one.
Yes, they're marchin' out of
order, a-totterin' to the
fall,
A-marchin', marchin' on till
life is done.

MANY false claims are made in the name of liberty, not the least of which is that a member of a community has a right to do as he likes without regard to the effect of his action upon his fellows. It is said to be an interference with the liberty of the individual to insist that alcohol shall be banned from use as a beverage. To permit, in order to gratify the selfishness of a few people, conditions to exist which bring upon the community the evils so vividly depicted in the above verses is not "liberty," but tyranny of the worst kind.

ST. JOHN ITEMS

Memorial Services For Mrs. Adjutant Wells—League of Mercy Work Under Supervision of Mrs. Brigadier Moore

A memorial service for Mrs. Adjutant Wells was conducted by Brigadier Moore at St. John III. on Sunday night, September 28th. He was assisted by Adjutant Best. The Corps Treasurer and Sergeant-Major were each called on to speak and Mrs. Adjutant Best soloed "The Homeland."

Adjutant Hurd conducted a memorial service at No. I. Adjutant Laura Clark and Captain Minnie Robinson sang a duet. Five souls knelt at the Mercy Seat.

Captain Farrel, No. II. Corps, is under farewell orders.

Mrs. Brigadier Moore is leading on the League of Mercy with heart and soul and much good is being done by these devoted workers.

Adjutant Best is now conducting special meetings at Yarmouth, where Ensign Cranwell is in charge.

Under the supervision of Ensign Condie the Military Hostel continues to meet a real need. A good work is being done amongst the prisoners who appreciate the visit of the Army Officers each Sunday.

—A. Sheard, Commandant.

MONTREAL I.

Sunday Meetings Led By Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Hargrave—An Interesting Dedication

The meetings at Montreal I. on Sunday, September 28th, were conducted by Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Hargrave. Good crowds were present. The Colonel spoke to the Young People in the afternoon. Three seekers knelt at the Mercy Seat. A very interesting event was the dedication by the Colonel of his little grand-daughter, Ethel Lilian Florence Goodier.

NEW GLASGOW

Seventeen Seekers at Mercy Seat During Ten Day Campaign

Lieutenant Watkin conducted a ten-day campaign at New Glasgow (September 11 to 21) and seventeen souls knelt at the Mercy Seat, ten of them on Sunday night, September 21st. We had a glorious time. Sang the Doxology four times and they still kept coming. Praise God for victory.

PROMOTED TO GLORY

MRS. ADJUTANT WELLS

INTO the land of endless day another beloved Blood and Fire Salvationist has gloriously marched, Mrs. Adjutant Wells answered the call while suffering in the St. John Hospital. It can be truly said of her that she was ready, all was perfectly clear and she had a glorious finish. She never wavered and, till her last conscious moments she was graciously upheld. Speaking to those around her bed and more particularly to her beloved partner she said, "Don't hold me back, let me go, let me go." Without a doubt at that moment she beheld her Saviour Whose brightness attracted her gaze.

"He is so Good"

To a comrade Officer she repeated the following lines:

"He is so good, too good to err,
I know He doeth all things well."

These words, breathed low for strength was small—

"I'm near the shadow and the vale."

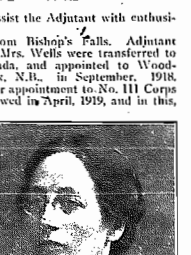
Just before she passed away and while the writer stood by the death bed, she said, "Sing me those words, 'I do not ask for earthly store.' She repeated the whole song. The fear of death was entirely absent. Through the Blood of the Lamb she gloriously conquered death and is now before the Throne of God and the Lamb.

Mrs. Wells (formerly Adjutant Annie Hubley) was born on the beautiful Island of Newfoundland. Her childhood days were carefully guarded by loving, Christian parents, her school days were a pleasure. It was her desire to become a school teacher, and this in time she became.

When the Salvation Army opened fire in Pilley's Island, she was attracted to the meetings and soon became an ardent worker for God. In 1905 she entered the Army Garrison in St. Johns'. Her first appointment was Winterton where she was a teacher. For twelve years she continued as a teacher, in the course of which she filled many important positions and school appointments on the Island, attaining to the rank of Adjutant.

In 1917 when stationed at Exploits, she was married to Adjutant Wells and in the different commands to which they have been appointed Mrs. Wells has been a true and faithful helpmate and a loyal Salvationist, entering into her efforts to assist the Adjutant with enthusiasm.

From Bishop's Falls, Adjutant and Mrs. Wells were transferred to Canada, and appointed to Woodstock, N.B., in September, 1918. Their appointment to No. III Corps followed in April, 1919, and in this,



Mrs. Adjutant Wells

her last Corps, she endeared herself to all who were privileged to come in contact with her and her memory will long be cherished.

The funeral service was conducted by Brigadier Moore, assisted by Adjutant Best. The City, Field, Social and Military work were all represented. The Hall was crowded and hundreds of people were unable to find admission. Adjutant Hurd and Adjutant Ellsworth came up from Moncton to be present.

Impressive Service

It was pathetic to see Mrs. Adjutant Wells' aged father who had come from Sydney to look upon the form of his dead child, as he called her. The service was a most impressive one, many of the Officers speaking of the blessing Mrs. Wells had been to them and the loss they felt was theirs.

Along the line of march hundreds of people lined the streets while the united Bands under the leadership of Ensign Condie furnished the music. At the graveside Brigadier Moore conducted the committal service. This also was touching in the extreme. Ensign Condie's prayer was a powerful and a fitting close to this, the saddest of all the afflictions that has assailed dear old No. III Corps.—A. Sheard, Commandant.

REGINA NEWS

Fifteen Seekers at Week-End Meetings—Bandsmen Go Without Dinner to Pray With Penitent

The meetings at Regina on Sunday, September 21, were conducted by Adjutant Mrs. Richardson and a wonderful time was experienced. In the Holiness meeting a man wanted to get right with God and several Bandsmen stayed all the dinner hour to pray with him. After a severe struggle he got through.

At night a good crowd came to the Citadel and ten souls sought the Saviour, making fifteen for the week-end. On Saturday night a father and son got converted.—R. J. Conlin, Correspondent.

WEST TORONTO

Four Seekers at Meetings Led by Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Chandler—A Junior Demonstration

A Musical Festival was given at West Toronto on Saturday, September 27, presided over by Lieutenant-Colonel Otway, who was accompanied by his son, Ensign Otway.

On Sunday, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Chandler led the meetings. There were good attendances. Two persons came forward in the morning and two sought Salvation at night.

A Junior Demonstration was held on Monday at which Mrs. Lieutenant-Colonel Adby presided. Fruit and flowers were bought by the people present to be sent to the sick.

On Thursday a Band Festival and sale of Harvest goods was held.

CALGARY II.

On Sunday, September 14, we had with us Captain Captain Carroll, who took the meetings both morning and evening. Sister Eva Garnett of the No. I. Corps sang a solo at the Holiness meeting. The following Sunday, September 21st, was Rally Day. The Holiness meeting was conducted by Captain Pitt and the evening meeting by Mrs. Staff-Captain White.

In the afternoon a parade was held, Calgary's I., II. and III. Corps uniting, after which a Young People's Demonstration was held in the No. I. Citadel. Envoys Burditt and Alward each spoke.

There have been two or three bandsmen added to our Band recently.—Joe.

"OUT OF THE RUTS"

Call to Individual Effort and General Aggression

Objects of Fall and Winter Campaign

(1) To press upon every Local Officer, Soldier, and Recruit personal acceptance of responsibility for the souls of the people, both in and out of meetings.

(2) To increase the power and effect of the present regulation meetings by making them more really earnest and desperate efforts for the Salvation and Sanctification of individual souls. To lift and keep them out of ruts of formalism by securing the direct, personal interest of every Local Officer, Soldier, and Recruit in all the proceedings.

(3) To diligently seek for opportunities for aggressive work. To find out where people congregate and go to them with Salvation. To hold short meetings at factories at the dinner hour; at early or late markets; when the country people come into town to shop on Saturday afternoons at race or sports meetings; and so on. These need not be of great length, nor depend on the attendance of a large number of Soldiers. Just two or three Salvationists to sing, pray, and speak for a few minutes.

(4) To arrange for the holding of weekly cottage meetings in as many places as possible, appointing Local Officers and Soldiers to lead them.

(5) To open Outposts in every possible direction, with Envoys to work them.

(6) To look up all the old hands and re-enlist as many as possible of those who are not now with us. The old Corps books should be turned out and a list made of all the names which appear on them. Also of people who formerly attended our meetings but do not now do so. These should then be systematically visited, and Local Officers and Soldiers who can give the time set to work to help to do it.

(7) To go to the unconverted in their homes. After the visitation of the old hands has been thoroughly carried out, house-to-house calls should be made and those people who do not at present go anywhere to hear about Salvation sought out; personally dealt with, and invited to the meetings.

(8) To pay very special attention to the development of the Young People's Work; and particularly to endeavour to get into the meetings and to join the Companies the many young folk who at present run wild about the streets on Sunday and receive no definite teaching about God and their souls.

(9) To organize Fishing and Praying Bands in every Corps.

(10) To increase the sale of Army Periodicals in public places and from door-to-door.

WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT PROHIBITION

Some Pithy Testimonies from Many Sources as to Its Beneficial Results to the Community

IN the present fight for prohibition in Ontario it is gratifying to note what strong and convincing evidence in favour of the measure is piling up from many quarters.

Every Church and Religious Denomination in Canada has pronounced in favour of Prohibition through its Executive Boards and Church Leaders.

Practically all school teachers, doctors, public health officers, city relief officers and social workers in Canada are in favour of prohibition.

The Provincial Governments, the courts and the police have learned that prohibition reduces crime and disorder and promotes peace and prosperity.

Here are a few expressions of opinion on the matter from many sources:

Decrease in Prisoners

Lieutenant-Colonel Chandler, the Men's Social and Military Secretary, when asked by a "War Cry" representative for a statement regarding the effects of Prohibition referred us to Brigadier Fraser, who for the past eighteen years has been in close touch with Canada's prison population. The Brigadier said that the number of prisoners has dropped from 1,400 in 1915 to 620 at the present time. This, he believes, is due to Prohibition. The Brigadier showed us a book containing the details of many former inmates who have since made good, owing solely to prohibition. One part, who was in the Central Prison four times for crime committed under the influence of drink has been working steadily for three years, and has just had his salary raised to $7,500 a year. The Army and friends tried many times to help him, but he would slip back to his old ways again.

Another case is similar, with the difference in the salary. This man, right in Toronto, has been advanced to $3,000 a year, after three years' steady and efficient work. He was in the Police Court forty times for drunkenness before September, 1916. Two former drunkards have joined the ranks of the Salvation Army, and one has become an Officer.

"Prohibition has been a gigantic success in Ontario," stated the Brigadier, "and dealing with the prison population as I do, I make that statement without any qualifications."

Drink the Chief Cause

Brigadier Des Brisay, the Women's Social Secretary, says that 90 per cent. of the trouble which brought women into the Police Court prior to 1916 was drink, and the number of women handed over to the Army has fallen off in a most marvellous way during the past three years. The figures are as follows:

1914	96
1915	99
1916	92
1917	64
1918	51
1919	32

Six of these women have been able to purchase Victory bonds with their earnings since prohibition, and another, who was in the Police Court 25 times for drunkenness prior to 1916, has since purchased a $3,000 home, with her son, and the final payment was made two weeks ago.

The Brigadier has so many more instances of a similar nature that she has no hesitation in crediting prohibition with a major share in the good work.

The Premier of Ontario, Sir Wm. Hearst, thus recorded his opinion regarding the Ontario Temperance Act in a recent speech:

"I believe it has accomplished much good for the people of this Province. In our country's hour of peril, when the fate of civilization hung in the balance, the O. T. A., in my humble opinion, increased our financial strength, supplied reinforcements to our troops, increased our efficiency, and generally added to the fighting strength of our Province. In the days of unrest, of turmoil and reconstruction through which we are passing, I believe the Act is a source of safety and strength, and that its repeal or any weakening of its provisions would be unwise.

"What proved a source of strength in the days of war, and is proving a source of safety in the days of reconstruction, in the days through which we are passing will, I believe, prove a boon and a blessing in the days of peace and prosperity to which we are hopefully looking, when the trying days of reconstruction have been safely passed. Above all, I believe it will prove a blessing to future generations."

Shall This Diabolical Tyrant be Restored to Power in Fair Ontario? No! No! No! No!

Is Necessary Still

The Bishop of Ottawa says: "If prohibition was necessary in time of war, it is necessary still and should have a longer trial, for conditions of war are not yet over. The external reform brought about by prohibition has been very great, not in every locality, but in very many. Evidence for this brought before us at the General Synod was widespread and strong. The law has been evaded it is true, but this is also true of the license law which prohibition superseded. There are influences promoting the liquor traffic which are sinister, powerful and unscrupulous. The times are not normal, and the less open access we have to liquor during days that lie before us, the better it will be for us all. I hope the Ontario Temperance Act will be sustained."

The opinion of the elected Chief Magistrate of a town and city may generally be taken as fairly representative of the opinion of the people in the place. Importance is therefore given to the following voluntary testimony from heads of municipalities, throughout Canada. These are but a few of many that might be given:

Great Benefits

Dundas—Factories report improvement in the regularity and efficiency of workmen. Strong opponents are now enthusiastic supporters.

North Bay—Prohibition is an unqualified success here.

Fort William—Money formerly spent over the bar now goes to merchants and family pleasures.

Lindsay—Business men of community unanimous in expressing great benefits to business.

Niagara Falls—General home life prosperous. Highest degree of efficiency in all classes of labour.

London—Prohibition working satisfactorily. Drunkenness one-third what it was.

Kingston—All dire prophecies re prohibition are proving groundless. Hotel accommodation better. Merchants report more trade than ever. General tone of home life higher.

Paris—No public man who has the interest of the community at heart will ever or shall suggest returning to a wet Province.

Ottawa—I believe that 95 per cent. of our people regard prohibition as the greatest thing that has happened in many years. Personally, I believe that much of the prosperity attributed to other causes is due to prohibition.

Prohibition is a good business proposition and hard-headed business men throughout Canada have come to realize that from a purely business standpoint prohibition pays. Here is what some of these business men say:

"Decreased drunkenness, decreased crime, increased business, increased comfort in the homes, improved social conditions, prohibition has been a benefit to the town in every sense. Would not for a moment think of going back to the old conditions."—Secretary Renfrew Board of Trade.

"I am confident that we will never see the open bar here again. I cannot speak much about other business, but I can assure you that the prohibition of the wet goods has been a splendid thing for the dry goods."—Mr. John Macdonald, Toronto.

Doing Better Work

"Manufacturers or employers of labour have been benefited greatly, as now their workmen are at their duties every day, clearer of eye and brain, and are doing better work than formerly. The money that was formerly wasted in drink is now used to buy food and comforts for wives and children. The workman is now able to save money for a rainy day and is more of a man and a better citizen than ever before. As a manufacturer and merchant I say emphatically that the results have been splendid."—Miles Vokes, Toronto.

"There can be no question but that prohibition as we have it at present is in interests of the people generally, but specially of the poorer classes. The money of the wage earners which in the years past went largely to the saloons is now going to the homes and in many cases where there was formerly abject suffering on the part of the families, they are now comfortably situated."—Elias Rogers, Coal Dealer, Toronto.

"It goes without saying that it is the greatest benefit to the railroads. From my observation, has entirely done away with workmen coming to their work under the influence of liquor."—W. H. Farrell, Grand Trunk Railway.

"As manager of a firm employing about three hundred and fifty hands, we find we are getting better efficiency from workmen who previous to prohibition were habitual drunkards."—W. A. Rowland, The Steel Co. of Canada.

"The constant report has been that many people who previously spent their earnings at the bar are now buying boots, clothing and groceries, resulting in their families being properly clothed and fed."—F. F. White, Wm. Davies Co.

Labour Leaders Testify

This is what Labour leaders say: "Words fail to express the wonderful benefits received by our members on account of prohibition and curtailment of the liquor traffic."—Mr. C. Lawrence, Chairman of the Dominion Legislative Board.

"I cannot speak too highly of the results which I have seen from the enactment of prohibition laws throughout this country, and can safely say that the workers of Canada are socially and morally improved and will reap a greater measure of success in their efforts to solve the great problems of the future than they have in the past, because of the abolition of the liquor traffic."—John W. [illegible] General Organizer for th[illegible] ed Association of Plumbers [illegible]team-fitters of the United Sta[illegible] Canada.

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ALCOHOL IN THE HOME

Wastes Resources, Brings in all that is Evil, and Makes it a Charnel House of Dying Souls

EXTRACTS FROM AN ADDRESS BY MRS. GENERAL BOOTH

ANYTHING, therefore, which bears for good or for ill upon the home-life of a people is of supreme importance to every nation.

A wide experience of the conditions of life in many countries, and a somewhat close acquaintance with the inner facts of experience among the working and peasant classes over a large part of the world, has brought an important body of information on this and kindred subjects to the Officers of the Salvation Army. This paper is intended to present—as briefly as may be—some of the principal conclusions at which we have arrived concerning the influence of strong drink upon the social life of the people as that life is seen in their homes.

Dissipates Substance

First, let it be noticed that alcohol in the home dissipates and wastes the substance and material resources of the family.

Without giving any adequate return, it consumes what should be expended in necessaries, especially for the children, the aged, and the sick. The extent to which it establishes itself as a supposed necessity, and then drives out what is all-important for the building up of vigorous physique and the preservation of health, is most astonishing. In times of scarcity and lack of employment, the children's milk is cut off long before the parents' beer and spirits. The wage-earner will, to his great detriment, forgo important food much more willingly than the portion of alcoholic drink.

The use of strong drink is also, we find, the principal foe to thrift of all kinds. Even when early training has induced habits of thrift, and something has been accumulated by heads of families in the first years of housekeeping, the alcohol habit, once established, invades these reserves on the [illegible]st excuse, and often with ruinous consequences.

Dissolves Vigour

Alcohol dissolves the vigour and spirit which make and keep the home a living factor.

Nothing so quickly attacks all that is most attractive in home-life as the desire for strong drink. It engenders selfishness; it fosters associations totally alien and often antagonistic to home influence; it leads to a fatal lack of interest in the home on the part both of men and women, and induces carelessness in its management.

Once these evils have entered any home, a weakening, which soon produces a total loss of respect in the children, and of genuine regard in the parents, sets in. Because of this curse, tens of thousands of young people enter upon the serious affairs of life with all real affection for home shattered, and with all high ideals as to the homes they are themselves to build up destroyed.

Strong Drink Wrecks the Home

Alcohol tends to weaken and ultimately to overthrow the authority of the family, to the great injury of the children.

If the father, or what is even more dreadful, the mother—is seen to be a self-indulgent frequenter of the wineshop, or, worse still, is quietly drinking the poison in secret, the young people instinctively lose the natural respect for such a father or mother. Their word ceases to be anything to them; their law loses its claim upon them. Their punishments are in the children's eyes transformed into brutal injustices. Little by little, and more and more, that righteous fear which was the beginning of wisdom in them is destroyed, and in their limited sphere they are degraded into neglecters and despisers of all authority.

Alcohol opens the door of the home to the most vicious forms of self-indulgence and impurity.

"Leave the door open," says the old adage, "and the Devil will come in." Who can doubt that it is so here? The home, no matter how humble, was designed to be the sheltered harbour of innocence, and the field in which appetite is subjected to reason and controlled by affection. But once let alcohol enter this place, and the door is ever after open for all that represents the antipodes of restraint, of chastity, and of purity.

Strong drink incites appetite, changes the sweetest love of earth into lust, which being denied, becomes hate, and carries men away into licence and vice. It is the faithful ally of the baser nature.

The Tenderest Influences

It seems to us, who find in all the wise arrangements of human life evidences of a Divine solicitude, that family life was really designed for the very purpose of rooting the young trees there planted in all that is true and honourable, and brave and pure; that it is by Divine appointment intended to be the great school of morals; that in it should meet the tenderest influences of earthly affection and the first revelation of the love of God.

Alcohol is the foe of all these sacred aims and purposes. Its use weakens the ability to discern between that which is evil and that which is good. It sets up false standards of duty and ambition; standards, that is, which are warped and dwarfed by the claims of indulgence.

Confuses Right and Wrong

Alcohol confuses conscience until it calls right wrong, and wrong right. It exalts present advantage, and dulls the power of noble ambition. In short, alcohol is the handmaid of the life of sensation, of passion, of fleshly gratification, leading to the downfall and eventual destruction of the higher life of self-denial and sacrifice.

Once the drink habit is entrenched in the home, all those baneful antagonisms manifest themselves in a thousand ways. The children feel them; the grown youths and maidens suffer from them; the visitors and friends, the servants and attendants—if such there be—do not escape their influences, and the heads of the family receive back a further dreadful impetus on the way to moral and spiritual atrophy and death. The home so degraded becomes, instead of a nursery of spiritual life and beauty, a charnel house of dead or dying souls.

Ought to be Banished

For the reasons here briefly outlined, we of the Salvation Army say that strong drink ought to be banished from the home, from the Church, which is the earthly home of the family of Christ, and from the use of all civilized people. And on these grounds we, so far as our own people are concerned, have in God's name, from the beginning of our Organization and for ever banished the accursed thing from our borders.

BAND NOTES

Moose Jaw Band is still on the up-grade. Bandsman Dixon from Toronto has been welcomed and has taken up Eb Bass. Brother F. Probert, Senior, has taken up Bb Bass, and Brother Isabelle has gone on to double Bb. The Band is doing well under the leadership of Bandmaster W. Probert.

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North Toronto Band on a recent Wednesday evening held a Band spiritual meeting and it indeed proved a great blessing. The words of advice and encouragement from Captain Coult and the Sergeant-Major were of great help and the means of blessing each Bandsman present. We pray that through our meeting greater things shall be accomplished by the Bandsmen.—R. Wass, Corps Correspondent.

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St. James, Winnipeg. During the war there were so many Bands that were practically wiped out through enlistments, that they found the going real hard, and St. James was affected just as much as others.

At the outbreak of war, the Band numbered nineteen, and of this number twelve donned Khaki, and went, leaving those who were, through various reasons, unfit for active service. This meant work, and Bandmaster Dancy sure did work, and kept a real little Band going at all times, and now that our comrades are back again, and settling down, our prospects are real bright.

We have been very much in demand during the last few months. On Peace Day at the invitation of the Town of Selkirk, we travelled down and helped to celebrate, and everyone says, "good work." We received a good donation, and everyone was happy.

All our instruments are silver plated, and we number just twenty-one at present, but by Spring-time we hope to be hitting around the thirty mark, and going strong. Bandmaster Dancy is out for the good things, and we're right behind him.

We had a rather busy time this week-end. On Sunday the Bandsmen led the open-air and morning meetings and in the afternoon paid a visit to the Greenwood Methodist Church and supplied the music at a great Sunday School Rally.

In the evening the Band went to the Auditorium at the Industrial Bureau, and supplied the music for the Introductory Campaign of Gypsy Smith, the famous evangelist. There must have been some 5,000 people present, and many favourable comments were heard regarding the playing of the Band.

On Tuesday, September 30, we were present at the farewell meeting to Commissioner Sowton.

EVERY SALVATIONIST THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

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EDITORIAL NOTES

The Referendum

THE question of the retention of Prohibition by Ontario is one for decision by that Province, but the answer given on October 20th will affect the whole Dominion, nay, its influence for good or bad will be world-wide.

We make no apology, therefore, for giving so much of our space this week to pictures and matter that have bearing upon the Drink, for we are sure that all our readers, East and West alike, for the sake of the cause in their own Provinces, as well as out of solicitude for the welfare of Ontario, would say do everything you can to secure the biggest victory possible for Prohibition.

It is now for the citizens of Ontario to make their will known in such a decisive manner that there can never be any controversy on the question. The greatest danger is that, because there are so many indications that there will be a big majority for Prohibition, individuals will think it unnecessary to record their votes. It will be disastrous if, on this account the majority voting for Prohibition, should be so small as to make it possible for the liquor interests to raise a clamour and state that there is evidence that some relaxation of the restrictions of the Temperance Act is desired by so large a section of the people that they cannot be denied.

Make it clear, once for all, that the people of Ontario are overwhelmingly for the absolute banishment of intoxicating liquor.

Beware Camouflage

WE do not think any reader of "The War Cry" will allow the issue to be confused in their minds by the statements that have been made that answering "Yes" to the first question on the ballot paper does not mean a return to the open bar.

Premier Hearst is most clear and definite on this point. Speaking with reference to Question One, he says:

> "If you want the O.T.A. repealed vote yes; if you want it sustained vote no. If the majority vote in the affirmative the Act says what will be done. It says that the O.T.A. will stand repealed from a date to be proclaimed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and the Ontario Liquor License Act will be revived. So that the conditions would be brought back similar to what they were prior to September 16th, 1916. It is written as plain as we can write it on the Statute Books."

We have heard of no one who wants this. Even those who may be supposed to desire it, are very careful not to say so. Beware of all camouflage, and if you desire to keep Prohibition effective in Ontario and set an example that will help the Temperance cause everywhere, mark your paper with four crosses in the "No" column.

Banish the Accursed Thing!

There will be no doubt which way the Women of the Salvation Army will vote. They are forever against the Drink.

FAREWELL TO THE WEST

COMMISSIONER AND MRS. SOWTON

Say Final Good-bye at Sunday Meetings in Winnipeg I. Citadel—Memorable and Inspiring Gatherings—Sixteen Seekers

MEETINGS HELD AT BRANDON AND ST. JAMES CORPS

AS might have been expected, there was a tinge of real sadness running all through the farewell meetings of Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton at Winnipeg I. on Sunday, September 28th, yet they were memorable meetings, full of interest all day.

In the morning meeting after Lieutenant-Colonel Noble had prayed the Citadel Songsters rendered "Open Thou Mine Eyes Lord." Mrs. Commissioner Sowton read from the second chapter of Joel, making a few comments. Captain A. Sowton and Lieutenant B. Curric sang a duet.

Striking Illustration

Mrs. Lieutenant-Colonel Stillwell, from the United States, gave a stirring talk on holiness of heart, in the course of which she related an incident that had taken place in connection with an accident to the train on which she had travelled to the city. She and another lady gave what relief they could to one who was dying, and caught these words from his lips, "They never finished their work." This turned out to refer to some workmen who had left their tools on the track of the curve around which the train travelled. From this incident she drew a powerful lesson of the need of thoroughness in the work that we as Salvationists are doing in Christ's name, and in this to follow the Master who said, "I have finished the work that Thou gavest Me to do."

The Training Home Quartette sang, after which the Commissioner gave a pointed address, appealing to those who had been negligent in performing their duty and in their concern for the Salvation of their fellows. It brought good results, for when the Chief Secretary rose to draw in the net, two young women came to the front, one of them making the inquiry as to the proper steps to take to apply for Officership.

In the afternoon the Commissioner lectured on "Scandinavia as I have known it." The Winnipeg Scandinavian Corps sang with string Band accompaniment, the Citadel Band rendered a selection, and Cadet Violet Hay soloed.

The night meeting opened with fine spiritual singing of "Have you seen the Crucified." Major Sims led in prayer and the Songsters sang with feeling "Christ the Way." Captain Sowton read a Scripture portion and the Band rendered the "Redemption" selection.

Mrs. Commissioner Sowton, in her own earnest, pleasing, manner said that she had passed through many trying experiences and had had many farewells, but none had been more difficult than the one that she was now passing through. The Commissioner gave a powerful and convincing Salvation address from the text, "Son, Remember."

Asked to Remember

He asked his audience to remember their sins, their defeats, their selfishness, their opportunities and mothers' prayers. Not a soul moved until the prayer meeting, piloted by Colonel Turner, was well under way, but when, while the Doxology was being sung, we counted up the records from the registration room, we found that sixteen souls had knelt at the Penitent Form.—A. Goodwin, Major.

COMMISSIONER SOWTON said farewell to Brandon on Wednesday, September 24th. The service was most interesting and impressive.

At 6.15 p.m., the Band met the party at the station. The Commissioner was accompanied by Colonel Turner, the Chief Secretary, and Brigadier Taylor, the Divisional Commander for Manitoba. Forming a procession the Band led the party to the Citadel, where they were entertained at tea by Commandant and Mrs. Howell.

Divisional Commander Speaks

A rousing march preceded the meeting at night. Brigadier Taylor lined out the opening song, which was heartily sung by the large congregation, who had gathered to say "good-bye" to our much loved and respected leader.

Adjutant Oake led us to the Throne in prayer, after which the Divisional Commander fittingly and in well-chosen words expressed regret that the Commissioner, whose leadership had been so signally blessed of God, was so soon leaving us. The Chief Secretary then piloted the proceedings.

Alderman Dinsdale, on behalf of the city, was then called upon to speak. The Alderman, who is Band Sergeant, and also Treasurer of the Brandon Corps, paid a glowing tribute to the sterling qualities of Commissioner Sowton as a leader. He referred to the fact that although during his four years of leadership dark days had been upon the Empire and upon us as an Organization, the Commissioner had shown himself as a strong and wise leader. Great things had been accomplished by the Organization of which he was so proud to be a member. Brother Dinsdale thanked the Commissioner for the great interest he had manifested in the Band.

Secretary Mrs. Simmons voiced the sentiments of the Home League by saying "Thank you for all you have been to us, Commissioner, and say thank you to Mrs. Sowton, who has been a mother to us all." Captain Bellamy conveyed Virden's regret that the Commissioner is farewelling and Commandant Howell spoke of the characteristics of the Commissioner, which impressed him as the reason for such wide-spread regret at his departure. In his estimation the Commissioner is a Christian gentleman, a safe leader, a teacher of sound doctrine and a strong executive head.

Necessity for Aggression

The Commissioner read a portion of Scripture from Josiua and emphasized the following verse: "There remaineth yet much land to be possessed." He pointed out that

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IS A PLEDGED ABSTAINER FROM STRONG DRINK

PARAGRAPHETTES

PERSONAL AND NEWSY

CANADA WEST

Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton, accompanied by their son George, said a final good-bye to Winnipeg on Friday afternoon from the Union Depot. Our Leaders touch at Toronto and Montreal on their way East, and expect to sail from Quebec on the "Empress of France" on the 7th inst. Captain Anna Sowton and Cadet Charles remain behind.

The Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton, at the invitation of Commissioner Richards, came from the train to the Toronto Temple on Sunday evening, where the welcome to the new Canada East Cadets was taking place. The Commissioner delivered a stirring farewell address, and they were given a most hearty send-off.

The Chief Secretary conducts the first Young People's Sunday of this season at Moose Jaw, on October 12th. He will be assisted by the Divisional Commander, Territorial and Divisional Young People's Secretaries.

Brigadier and Mrs. Coombs recently concluded a trip taking in the Corps in the north of Saskatchewan. They conducted Soldiers' meetings as well as public meetings. Sixteen souls sought and found Christ and several Senior and Junior Soldiers were enrolled.

After having completed a stay there of five years, Brigadier Hay is farewelling from the Edmonton Division, at the end of October. Other changes are pending, particulars of which we hope to make known in due course.

Commandant Carroll has been appointed to do Special Reconstruction Work among the returned military forces throughout the Provinces of Alberta and British Columbia, while Commandant Hector Habkirk has been given the same work for the Provinces of Manitoba and Saskatchewan. The Commandant is being relieved of duty at the Sir Douglas Haig Hostel, this institution being sulded to Commandant Gaskin's responsibilities.

Brigadier McLean conducted the farewell meetings of Cadets at the various Vancouver Corps, and had some wonderful times, with souls saved. He also reopened the newly-renovated No. I. Citadel, and opened the new Citadel at No. IV.

It has been decided to erect a headstone for the late Captain Gertrude Turner, who passed away at Roesland last Fall, in connection with her devoted work in looking after Influenza patients. The Officers in British Columbia are taking the responsibility of having this memorial stone put up.

An enjoyable Lawn Social was recently held at the Salvation Army Young Women's Boarding-House in Vancouver, under the direction of Mrs. Adjutant Hobbs. The No. I. Citadel Band contributed a very excellent musical programme and everyone present had a real good time.

Adjutant and Mrs. Merritt (Calgary I.) were honoured by official invitations to the civic reception to the Prince of Wales at Victoria Park, and to the luncheon at the Palliser.

Adjutant Clark still finds plenty to do in connection with the Soldiers' Hostel at Vancouver, and by all accounts this place is filled every night with veterans who have no homes in the city.

Extensive repairs are being made to the following properties: Vancouver Nos. I. and II., Victoria, Prince Rupert, and Trail.

Ensign Carruthers is having good times in Alaska and has had some successful meetings at Petersburg. The Ensign has done some considerable repairs to the house and Hall in this town, and prospects for the Army are much better here. The Ensign is running this place as an Outpost from Wrangell. Both Ensign and Mrs. Carruthers are getting along well and are delighted with their work in Alaska.

Adjutant and Mrs. Jackson, after a few days away from Glen Vowell, have returned to the village, and we can look for some good reports in future from the Adjutant.

Captain and Mrs. Kitson are appointed to Yorkton; Captain and Mrs. Talbot to Melville; Captain Fraser to Herbert; and Captain Faulkner and Lieutenant Smith to Regina II.

Mrs. Ensign Dunlop, who has been spending a few months in the East with her sister, is reported to be feeling somewhat better. The Ensign expects her to

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ENEMY OF ALL THE HIGHEST

EXTRACTS FROM AN INTERVIEW WITH

THE GENERAL

Which Show Why the Salvation Army Hates the Drink and is Sworn to Fight it to the Death

THERE is no question whatever as to where the Salvation Army or its General stands on the Drink Question. The Organization as a whole is a sworn foe of all selfish indulgence, and that cannot but include the use of the terrible enemy whose ravages, in a phrase often criticized but never disproved, have been said to exceed those of "famine, pestilence, and war."

VITAL QUESTION

Seeing he is such a lover of the people, and indeed, one who in a very real sense lives for the people and their uplifting, it was felt that this special issue of "The War Cry" ought not to go to press without including some at least of the General's thoughts on what is a vital national question. For this purpose we take some extracts from an interview which he gave to a representative of our British contemporary.

His replies to a few pointed questions were definite, and though necessarily brief, what the General had to say will, we are sure, be read with deep interest. His keen apprehension of the immeasurable evils of Strong Drink, his burning condemnation of the Traffic, not less than his recognition of the difficulties surrounding its suppression, will be appreciated the while they encourage all our comrades and workers who have pledged themselves to a fight to the finish in this desperate crusade.

"In your own personal work, General," he was asked, "how does this matter of the Drink come most definitely before you?"

FOE TO PROGRESS

"Well, I meet it, first of all, as the Head of the Army. It is one of the great foes to our progress," was the General's answer. "In many countries it stands in the very van of all the forces of evil, being not only itself a powerful enemy, but a powerful auxiliary of nearly every other form of iniquity. Strong Drink" (and the General rapped out the words with the precision and force of a machine-gun) "in whatever form, is both a physical poison and the enemy of all the highest and noblest elements in the human soul!

"How do I come up to it?" he repeated. "Why, it is ever before me! Take the information that pours in upon me like a stream from all parts of the world in connection with the working out of our Social Operations. There we focus on certain forms of evil that are specially associated with self-indulgence, the lack of control, and the power of appetite. It is quite true that Strong Drink is not the only cause of those stricken and derelict lives, but it is a very leading cause; and in every department of this section of our work everywhere, we encounter the trail of this destroying monster. From every Home, Colony, Refuge, Orphanage, Hospital and Prison Gate Institution there ascends day and night before me the cry of stricken humanity, of broken lives and desolate hearts. Oh!" exclaimed the General in a very passion of concern. "Oh, the Drink—the Drink!—the cursed Drink!"

"And what, General, of your personal contact with this evil?"

"Its effects meet me in almost every public engagement I take. One of the first impressions of which I am conscious when Sunday after Sunday I stand on the stage of crowded theatres, as my eye wanders over the multitude of upturned faces, is that of the seared countenances of the intemperate, the self-indulgent, the drunken. Perhaps it is long experience, perhaps sympathy, but I am quick to discern them; and I am often able to verify my conclusions when in the after-meetings I come into touch with individuals whom I have thus noticed.

WASTED LIVES

"Further, I meet it at the stage door—yea, at the Mercy Seat itself, where I hear the poor, groaning creatures, as they face their wasted lives, pleading for deliverance. Only the other night I came across a poor slobbering drunkard in the pit of the house who piteously said to me, as he took hold of my hand, 'O General, you could save me! You could save me!' I discovered that he was an intelligent, well-paid, clever workman, and when I asked his wife—a respectable, godly woman—what was the real trouble, she replied, 'General, it is the pub—and all that belongs to it!'

"In the frequent personal appeals that reach me from different parts of the world, there again I meet it," continued the General. "Scarcely a day passes that I do not receive pathetic messages from mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters, lovers, begging of me to help their dear ones to escape the drink with its net spread at every corner to catch the weak and unwary.

MANY PROBLEMS

And it is remarkable how the individual case often discloses the whole octave of problems associated with the traffic. There is, for instance, the facility for obtaining drink—which involves the

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A Good Citizen

What a Winnipeg Newspaper Says Concerning the Farewelling Leaders of Western Canada

In an editorial reference to the farewelling of Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton from Canada West the Winnipeg Free Press, says:

"The programme of the Salvation Army wherever it is at work makes for good citizenship. Consequently it is not surprising that the men who direct the activities of this great organization are themselves good citizens, and an asset to the community wherever their labours may call them. Therefore it is with regret that Winnipeg and Western Canada will say farewell to Commissioner Sowton, in command of the Canada West territory of the Army, who is leaving in a few days for Headquarters at London on his way to take charge of the Army's work in Sweden.

"When Western Canada was made a separate command of the Army about four years ago, Commissioner Sowton was sent from London to take charge of the work. Previous to that time the Army's activities in the Western Field had been directed from Toronto.

"Under Commissioner Sowton's guidance, the Army has made progress in all departments in Western Canada despite the numerous handicaps of the war period. He has visited practically every city and town from the head of the lakes to the coast and has taken a keen interest in the social progress of the country. He has been a factor in the promotion of all the better things of life, and the whole west has been the gainer for the presence of himself and his partner and co-worker, Mrs. Sowton."

UNITED HOLINESS MEETINGS

Montreal and Hamilton Added to the List—Opportunities of Inestimable Value

The blessing that has followed the institution of United Holiness meetings at Toronto and elsewhere, has led to the inception of similar series at other centres.

As already announced, Lieutenant-Colonel Bettridge has arranged for the holding of these in the Citadel at Montreal I., (a report of the first is printed on another page), and we are now informed by Lieutenant-Colonel Hargrave that Hamilton I. is to be the scene for a similar campaign, commencing on Friday, October 17th. The first will be led by the Colonel himself, but it is anticipated that leaders for various of the subsequent meetings will be drawn from other members of the local staff, and from Territorial Headquarters.

The proclamation and experience of Full Salvation are the foundations of the success of the Salvation Army. No comrade who has the furtherance of the Salvation War really on his or her heart, and whose circumstances permit of their attending, will miss the opportunity which these gatherings afford for getting to know more about and extending the number of those who possess this inestimably important blessing.

ENEMY OF ALL THE HIGHEST

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question of the licensed house; the character of the drink supplied, which involves the problem of the adulteration of liquor; the money spent upon it, which involves the question of the ruining of families and the starving of wives and children." Here the General broke off to scornfully observe, "Strange that a man's drunkenness should not be accepted as an excuse for starving his dog, and yet pass muster as an excuse for starving his wife!" Then he proceeded:

"The problem of Sunday trading also is involved. Heaps of people would be snatched out of the fire—with garments singed, it is true, but still rescued—if we could only keep them away from the Drink on Sundays. Oh, it is not merely a destroyer, but a degrader! Its whole tendency is towards the reduction of the man to the level of the beast and the crawling thing! Is it any wonder that we abominate it lock, stock, and barrel!"

"Indeed, no! But what are we to do?"

"I am for Prohibition—total, immediate, and everlasting"—was the earnest rejoinder—"if we can get it."

For the Canadian State restrictions the General expressed his warm approval, and advocated their prompt adoption in the Homeland.

For the especial benefit of Salvationists it needs but to add that throughout the interview the General's spirited words sounded a trumpet-summons to battle. Their duty is obvious: It is to pray on—fight on—and in addition to personal influence and example (powerful beyond all telling) to use every means that comes within their reach to combat and conquer this awful scourge anywhere and everywhere.

HAMILTON IV.

A Hint to the Parent Corps

The suburb of Hamilton in which No. IV. Corps is at work is rapidly developing, and the comrades there, under the direction of Captain Mabel Cosway and Lieutenant Mary Jones, are making strenuous efforts to meet all the needs of the hour. They are doing well, but reinforcements are needed, especially for the Young People's work. How about a Helping Hand Brigade from No. I?

The Campaign on Saturday and Sunday, September 27 and 28, was conducted by Brigadier and Mrs. Sandall. There were good attendances, with one seeker.

GUELPH

On a recent Sunday evening the meeting had just closed when the Recruiting Sergeant announced that a man with whom he had been pleading was willing to surrender to God. A prayer meeting was held in the Officers' room and the man found peace.

Last Sunday the comrades brought their Harvest Festival gifts, which together with what was collected, smashed our target. Ensign and Mrs. Riches are in charge of the Corps and we anticipate a good winter's campaign.—Corps Secretary.

FAREWELL TO THE WEST

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the prominent truth taught was the great necessity for aggressiveness. "Let us keep out of the ruts," he said.

At a later period of the meeting the Commissioner reviewed the four years of sacrifice and toil which he and Mrs. Sowton had given to the Territory. Much of the success of the past was due to the able support of Mrs. Sowton, he said. The Commissioner's chief aim in all his utterances was to inspire his people with a living faith in the power of the Gospel to meet the needs of humanity. The many stories that were told were humorous, but the truth went home, and as the crowd sang at the close, "God be With You Till We Meet Again," we all felt that as a country and people we had lost indeed through this demand of the War, but Sweden had a great gain.

ST. JAMES (WINNIPEG V.)

It was an enthusiastic crowd that gathered in the St. James (Winnipeg V.) Citadel on Tuesday night to say farewell to Commissioner Sowton. The Commissioner has paid many visits to the Corps during the four years of his command and has endeared himself, not only to the Salvationists but to the people of the neighbourhood generally, consequently at this farewell gathering all classes of people assembled, including the ministers of the various churches. Although a tinge of sadness hovered over the meeting owing to the nature of the gathering, the Commissioner requested everybody to feel happy and to go in for a blessing.

The meeting was piloted by the Chief Secretary. Many speakers representing various branches voiced the feelings of the Soldiers and friends as to the blessing Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton have been to them. Ensign Junker, Mrs. Dancy, and Sergeant Haine, a war veteran, spoke for the Corps and also pledged loyalty to God and the Army.

Although Mrs. Sowton was unable to be present, she sent a letter to the members of the Home League who had gathered in large numbers at this meeting. Captain Sowton read this message and Mrs. Brigadier Taylor responded.

Rev. Mr. Bethel, of the Methodist Church, and Rev. D. McKay, of the Presbyterian Church, paid splendid tributes to Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton and referred to the blessings received by their own congregations through the Salvation Army.

The Band and Songsters supplied plenty of good music.

The Commissioner's address was very inspiring and he expressed himself very emphatically that although Mrs. Sowton and himself felt the parting with the Comrades of Canada West very keenly, the call of God and the General was theirs to obey.—Ernest Sims, Major.

WITH THE CADETS

A very helpful spiritual day was conducted by Commissioner Sowton at the Training School just previous to his farewell to Winnipeg. He was assisted by Colonel and Mrs. Turner, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Noble, Brigadier and Mrs. Taylor, Brigadier and Mrs. Phillips, and Major Sims and Goodwin. Very helpful and inspiring addresses were given by the Commissioner on the Army spirit and how it operates.

The Chief Secretary also gave an address in the evening session on "The holding of faith." Mrs. Colonel Turner, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Noble, Brigadier Taylor and Captains Anna Sowton and Mary Bellamy also spoke.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE

Major Goodwin Conducts Welcome Meetings to New Officer

Captain Sowton, our new Officer, arrived early Thursday morning from Yorkton, Sask., her last appointment. She was there for fourteen months, and during that time has been made a blessing to a great number, being instrumental in God's hands and having the joy of leading many precious souls to the Saviour's feet.

Major Goodwin came from Winnipeg for the welcome meeting and a very joyful time it was, one soul coming forward. The comrades are delighted with their new Officer and are looking forward to a good winter campaign.

YORKTON

Officers Farewell and New Ones Are Welcomed

We have just said farewell to Captains Sowton and Currie, and while greatly regretting their loss we feel that it will be some others' gain, as they have been a great blessing to many during their stay with us.

Several of the Soldiers and friends of the Corps arranged a farewell supper on September 22nd, and some of the comrades spoke of their regret at losing the Officers, but wished them Godspeed and His blessing in their new appointment.

On September 23rd and 24th we had with us Brigadier and Mrs. Coombs who arrived just in time to conduct the final farewell meeting and bid them good-bye as they left for their new field of labour.

Welcome meetings for Captain and Mrs. Kitson were held on the 25th. A number of the Young People of the Corps were at the station to welcome them. We are praying for God's blessing upon their efforts.—N. S.

SWIFT CURRENT

Twenty-five Increase in Junior Attendance on Rally Day

Sunday, September 28th, was Young Peoples' Rally Day and the Company meeting was well attended in the morning. There was an increase of almost twenty-five over the previous Sunday, which speaks well for the efforts put forth by the Officers, Locals and Juniors.

In the afternoon we held two open-airs and one inside meeting. Adjutant Hardy briefly reviewed some of the previous lessons. Some of the Young People spoke of God's power to save and to keep. Lieutenant Battersby gave a talk and another of the Company Guards gave an interesting demonstration in which eight of the Juniors took part. Pearlie Elliott read a paper. Adjutant Hardy gave a lesson on "How shall we order the child?"

The evening meeting was well attended and God's presence was felt.

IN NEW YORK

Commissioner Richards

Addresses Enthusiastic Audiences at Welcome of Cadets and Inauguration of Winter Campaign

LONG LINES OF SEEKERS

New Yorkers were delighted to greet Canada East's Leader, Commissioner Richards, who dropped in to see us unexpectedly, when hereto meet his son, and he was received with unbounded enthusiasm. The Central Provincial Officer, Colonel McIntyre, his Staff and Field Officers feel that God must have had a hand in the Commissioner's coming, and also that the late arrival of the boat was providential, for it gave Salvationists of the city an opportunity to hear the Commissioner.

At the welcome of Cadets at New York I., the Commissioner, who was introduced by Colonel Peart, the Chief Secretary, delivered a most powerful and heart-searching address on three types of sinners, the results of which were seen in a long line of penitents seeking forgiveness of God. The auditorium was packed to overflowing.

A united Soldiers' meeting had been planned by Colonel McIntyre at National Headquarters, and behold Commissioner Richards drops in again. When he stepped to the platform, round after round of applause greeted him. After the Colonel had outlined plans for a great Awakening Campaign for the coming winter months, the Commissioner was introduced as a veteran warrior of the Cross, who was esteemed by all who knew him, an energetic and untiring worker and a Salvationist whose loyalty had never been questioned.

Forcefully came the message of the evening. We shall never forget the profound impression made on heart and mind, and the sacred moments of that meeting as the Commissioner poured out his heart's longing for Salvationists everywhere. Perhaps the hypnotic wave reached when our visitor cried from the depth of his soul, "Let us not sleep like the Disciples, or the five foolish virgins; or like Samson, who slept in carnal security; but let us be wide awake and on fire for God!"

When the Commissioner closed with an appeal for an utter abandonment to service, over sixty knelt at the altar, reconsecrating their lives for God and humanity. It was indeed a wonderful night and a most fitting prelude to the great American Congress over which our Commander will preside. Canadian Salvationists, rank and file, should feel proud of Commissioner Richards, and doubtless you do.—W. H. Barrett, Staff-Captain.

TRENTON, ONT.

Harvest Festival meetings were conducted by Captain Harrison at Trenton on Sunday, September 28. The Hall was prettily decorated and there was a splendid display of flowers, fruit and vegetables.

On Monday night we sold the produce and netted a substantial sum toward our target, which we have smashed. Brother Scott was the auctioneer.

On Sunday night Candidate Beatrice Huffman farewelled for the Training College.

We are looking forward for great things during the coming winter under the leadership of Captain S. C. Harrison.—Interested.

NECESSITY OF HOLINESS

Is Emphasized by Lieutenant-Colonel Bettridge at First of Series of United Meetings in Montreal I. Citadel

Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Bettridge conducted their first united Central Holiness meeting in Montreal on Friday night, October 3rd. A fine crowd attended including representatives from every Corps and Social Institution in Montreal.

In his preliminary remarks the Colonel said that it was his purpose to conduct these meetings every Friday night while he was in the Division.

The singing and musical part has been arranged so that all the City Bands and Singing Brigades will come in their turn and render assistance in this way. The No. 1. Band supplied the music the first night.

The subject for the meeting was "The necessity of Entire Sanctification" and as the Colonel covered the different points and appealed to all present to open their eyes and heart to these truths, it was evident that the Holy Spirit was doing His work and the great purpose for which the meeting had been arranged was being fulfilled. The meeting closed by a united song, the last verse being particularly emphasized.

And He the witness gives,
To loyal hearts and free,
That every promise is fulfilled,
If faith but brings the plea.

Montreal citizens of all creeds and nationalities are always welcome and heartily invited to attend these meetings and are earnestly requested to join with us in earnest prayer for an awakening of real religion in this great city.—Thos. A. Burton, Divisional Young People's Secretary.

WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT PROHIBITION

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"The Carpenters' organization has had a clearer conception of industrial matters since prohibition. When I see that vast number of young people who will shortly take our place I am not willing to vote the liquor traffic back to put a stumbling block in their way."—Jack Cottam, Secretary of the Toronto Carpenters' District Council.

"The Temperance Act of the Province of Ontario has proved a great success; indeed, I think I may say beyond the most sanguine expectations of its advocates."—Hon. Thomas W. Crothers, formerly Minister of Labour in the Dominion Cabinet.

"The prohibition legislation enacted by our Provincial and strengthened and confirmed later by our Federal Government has, in my judgment, greatly increased the efficiency of our Canadian workmen, as well as their sobriety, and has brought untold comfort and happiness to their wives and dependent children; the economical and safe operation of our public utilities has been greatly enhanced, and it is the experience of our business men that the commercial prosperity has greatly improved."—Hon. Gideon Robertson, Minister of Labour in the Dominion Cabinet.

"During my thirty years of living in Toronto I have seen some very rare sights, and since prohibition came into force there is a big difference. The place where I work now is a Heaven on earth since the drink was done away with."—Mr. William Fordham, Superintendent of the Labour Temple, Toronto.

A 20th Century Monstrosity

Which Crushes Out the Hopes of the People and Destroys the Happiness of All Who Come Beneath its Wheels

WAS ever, since the foundation of the world, such a monstrosity as the Drink Horror? Wherever it exists it is all the time busy crushing out the hopes of the people, and breaking down, with remorseless malignity, the happiness of all who come within its spell.

The masses are ground under the cruel wheels of the atrocious traffic

Hatred of Strong Drink is no disordered fancy of a crank's brain; the man who cries out against it is not suffering from nightmare. Have you ever thought the glittering palace a necessary public institution? That its costly appurtenances, its dazzling lights reflected in many mirrors, its carved mahogany fittings, marble-topped tables, and crimson-plushed lounges exercise an educational influence upon the devotees of the bar, that they constract against the depressing and degenerating tendencies of the poor man's home? Did you never see that these marks of opulence, whilst creating in the breast of the toiler a distaste for his own cribbed living-room, were an insult to him since the money he spent here would have removed the reproach there?

Must he have company? Why, then, should he be thus beguiled to forsake that of wife and children? Why should they be thrown back upon other friendship? Are they not also companionable creatures? And why must his sociable instinct find its only satisfaction in a place where he is robbed of affection for home, wife, and family?

The masses are ground under the cruel wheels of the atrocious traffic; they sing as they go to utter destruction. All classes, the aged to the youthful, are the lawful prey of this unblushing enormity where it is allowed to raise its head.

Who is exempt from its foul challenge? Engendering social disorder, hastening individual decay, destroying much urgently-needed service for the common weal, paralyzing many philanthropic endeavours, yea, rearing evil might against all the causes dear to the heart of God Himself, this fiendish anachronism claims the protection of the law, wins its soul-debasing monopoly, and asserts itself to be born of the legitimate needs of the population—and so indispensable.

Thank God that in Canada the monster has been dealt some staggering blows; for the sake of all that we hope for the future of our fair land, let no one stay his hand until it is utterly destroyed.

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SINNERS AROUSED

Through Special Campaign Led by Commandant and Mrs. McElhiney at Toronto I.—Twenty Kneel at Penitent Form

Men Seek Salvation on Streets and in Homes

Commandant and Mrs. McElhiney recently led a special Campaign at Toronto I. During the Campaign an open-air meeting was held every night and large numbers of people were reached.

The Holy Spirit has wrought wonders in some lives. One man who had not been in the Army for twenty years came in and got saved. Another was so touched by God's Spirit at an open-air meeting that he went home and did not sleep all night. He also got saved. Another man stopped a comrade on the street who spoke to him about his soul. This man felt his need of God and although under the influence of drink, the tears ran down his face and he invited the comrade to go home with him. When he arrived home he sought Christ in his front room and got gloriously saved. This was on Saturday afternoon. He was called for by the comrade and taken to the open-air where he told how he had given God his heart that afternoon. He is getting on fine.

Another man, also under the influence of drink, was convicted by the Spirit of God as he came in sight of a comrade in uniform on the street. He went and spoke to the brother who told him about the Saviour. It ended in them both kneeling on the grass outside a house. After they arose the man was shown some passages of Scripture which caused his faith to become stronger. He departed knowing he was saved.

The last night was a wonderful time. God's Spirit was felt in mighty power.

The inside meeting had only been in progress a short time when a man left the Hall in anguish of soul saying he could not stop there. He afterwards came back and surrendered to God.

Over twenty souls knelt at the Penitent Form during the Campaign.

This blessed visitation of the Holy Ghost has cheered our hearts and we give God all the Glory.—Alfred Steel, Corps Correspondent.

HAMILTON I.

Divisional Commander Conducts Farewell Meeting of Cadets

The farewell meeting to nine Cadets from the Hamilton Division who have now entered the Training College was conducted by Lieutenant-Colonel Hargrave at the Hamilton I. Citadel on Wednesday, October 1st.

The total contribution to the session from this Division is eleven Cadets. The Citadel was crowded and a most stimulating and profitable meeting resulted. It is interesting to note that ten of the Cadets have been Corps Cadets and that four of them successfully passed the examination which entitled them to a bonus.

TRAIL, B. C.

On September 21st and 22nd we had with us Brigadier McLean. On Saturday night he lectured on "The Army Throughout the World." On Sunday morning he spoke to the children. At night the attendance was good and a backslider returned to the fold.—Lieutenant Reynolds.

TORONTO DIVISION NOTES

Harvest Festival Victories—Many Corps Make Splendid Increases—Good Record of Advance at West Toronto During Past Two Years

Mrs. Lieutenant-Colonel Otway recently conducted a meeting with the Riverdale Home League, which is commencing its winter campaign under the leadership of Mrs. Major McGillivray. A good crowd of women were present. The meetings in the Park on Sunday afternoons attract large numbers of people. We have the privilege of using the Bandstand but prefer the old-fashioned big ring with the people crowded round. Already several have been converted as a result of these meetings.

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Commandant and Mrs. Parsons report good times at Lisgar Street. Twenty-eight persons have sought Salvation during the past three weeks. The Soldiers' meetings are still attended and much enthusiasm is manifested.

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Captain and Mrs. Brewer had good week-end meetings at Parry Sound. The attendances were excellent and two men sought Salvation. The newly-formed Band is getting ready for its first appearance. The Harvest Festival target is sure.

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Captain Clague reports stirring times at Brampton. The Local Officers, Soldiers and Juniors have worked with a will for Harvest Festival and victory is in sight. Captain and Mrs. Webber led the week-end meetings and two seekers knelt at the Mercy Seat. A Songster Brigade will soon be started.

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Captain and Mrs. Leach are farewelling from West Toronto. At a recent census meeting and inspection, the following advances were noted during their two year stay: Sixty-seven new Soldiers added to roll, indoor and open-air attendances increased, Self-Denial advanced from $800 to $800, Harvest Festival from $250 to $500, the Officers' Quarters has been refurnished; $1,500 worth of Band instruments furnished; and the Hall reseated and improved at a cost of $500, the Band has increased from twenty-three to forty-five, and the Songsters from twenty-two to forty-five. Five Companies have been added to the Juniors, and seventeen Juniors have been transferred to the Senior Roll, the Cradle Roll has advanced from fifty-eight to one hundred and six. For all these victories we give God the glory and march forward to greater victories.

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The Revival flame continues to burn brightly at Toronto I, and souls are seeking Salvation. On Sunday last Commandant and Mrs. McElhiney launched a twelve-day Campaign for souls. The Citadel was packed at night and four sought Salvation. On Tuesday two more knelt at the Cross. Captain Payton and Lieutenant Otway are in command.

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There is great rejoicing at Wychwood over a splendid advance in Harvest Festival. Last year $185 was raised, this year, $270. Adjutant and Mrs. J. Green are in command.

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Ensign and Mrs. Crowe, Brock Avenue, report a splendid Harvest Festival victory, resulting in an advance from $180 to $280.

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Captain Sibbick, Mimico, reports Harvest Festival advance from $110 to $162.

THE DRUNKLESS SALOON

An Experiment that is Being Tried by the Salvation Army in the United States—Beneficial Results Anticipated

"SAY, dere's a new booze parlor down de street!" said Bandy Ben to Willie the Red. "Let's go in an' look it over."

"Yer know me, Ben," said his pal. "I ain't never passed one up yet, but I must say dat times ain't like wot dey used ter be. De only way yer kin get wot yer want dese days is ter carry it wid yer in yer hip pocket."

"One Mile Coffee House"

"My, but dat's a queer name!" interposed Bandy Ben as he stood before the new saloon and read the freshly painted sign hanging over the door, "One-Mile Coffee House." Say, I've heard of der 'Red Lion' an' der 'Rogues' Tavern,' but dis here 'One-Mile Coffee House' is a new one on me."

"Seems ter me dey're gettin' pretty tony since dey took booze off der map, but I guess dey figure how dey gotter give a fellow somepin', so dey make up for it on der handle." And, arm in arm, Bill and Ben disappeared into the "One-Mile Coffee House."

It is at 225 Bowery, opposite the first stone on the Boston Post Road, which marks the spot where weary travellers in the days of old stopped for rest and refreshment before they resumed their jogging, jolting journey. At the first glance it seems to be nothing more than an ordinary saloon, for it is the counterpart of the thousands of temples to Bacchus which dot our city and which are not as fast as some of us anticipated in becoming matters of history. There is the tiled floor, the mahogany bar, the white-coated bartender, the fly-specked mirror, all the old ante-prohibition lure, all the old ante-Shepherd fascination—everything except, of course, the drinks, for the United States, within whose fair domain it exists, and the Salvation Army, under whose auspices it is managed, are both opposed to the use of spirituous or malt liquors.

When the Salvation Army does anything it does it thoroughly. When help was needed overseas the Salvation Army responded to the limit of its none too large resources. There has been a call for help from the Bowery. The old saloons are closing, because they cannot make expenses on soft drinks, and the hundreds of men who are only able to stand up when one foot is resting on the rail are being deprived of their only means of diversion. There was a call for help and the "One-Mile Coffee House" is the answer.

By this time Bandy Ben and Willie the Red had a chance to look around. In one corner there was a piano, a pianist and a crowd of men playing checkers, reading newspapers and eating and drinking a variety of appetizing things. Around the mahogany-topped bar was very much the type of men they expected to meet. Slowly they crowded their way to the bar, bowing to acquaintances and elbowing strangers in their effort to find room.

Anything You Like

"Watcher got?" Bill inquired of the busy bartender.

"Anything you like," he responded in the most genial bartender manner.

"Uh, huh; you ain't got wot I like!" insisted Willie without hesitation.

"Maybe not, but I kin give yer somethin' just as good."

"Tain't no seeh thing—not since July first, anyhow," interposed Bandy Ben.

By this time the bartender—he was a real bartender, a genuine relic of pre-prohibition days—had placed before the doubting pair cups of steaming coffee and freshly baked crinkly doughnuts.

That which won the hearts of nearly three million in France could not fail to touch Willie the Red and Bandy Ben in an exceedingly vulnerable place. Doughnuts and coffee are not the only things they serve. There is real home-made ice-cream, a complete array of soft drinks, sandwiches, ice-cream soda and many things to tempt the hungry and the thirsty, all at cost price. In the near future the Salvation Army intends to install a kitchen equipped to provide breakfast, luncheon and dinner to hundreds of hungry men for a smaller cost than they could buy it anywhere else in New York City.

Employment Bureau

But to give food to the hungry, drink to the thirsty and recreation to the pleasure-starved are not the only activities of the Salvation Army's drunkless saloon. It performs one other function which runs counter to all the oldest and choicest traditions of the barroom—it does employment work on the side. When those who want work because of chronic dislike for anything useful and those who can't work because of their inability to find a job are gathered together in one room, especially if that room is a barroom, it is not difficult for any employment expert, after a series of confidential talks with each man individually, to find a suitable position for nearly every man in the place. From this branch of the work great success is expected, especially in the case of the seasonal tradesman, who is laid off for long periods at a time, and who is usually eager to obtain work of any kind that will tide him over until his busy season commences.

Brigadier Charles Welte, under whose guidance the new project is placed, has great hopes for the saloon's success. "Of course, it is only an experiment," the Brigadier explained, "but we believe it will supply a real need in that section of the city. The saloon, on one side, is psychologically sound, for it is an established fact that in many cases it was not drink but the atmosphere of the barroom, the longing for human companionship and human society that drove so many men to the corner saloon. Accordingly, we plan to make our "One-Mile Coffee House" a kind of club where working men may go, exchange ideas and enjoy their leisure hours.

Family Saloons

"If the place at 225 on the Bowery is the success we hope it will be, other saloons will be opened," continued Brigadier Welte. "This one is for men, but before long we expect to have family saloons where men and women may come for cheap and wholesome amusement. I am particularly interested in the women, for I believe they need the saloon more than the men. To aid the woman who is out scrubbing all day, only to return to a cheerless home at night to cook for a more or less unappreciative family, we are contemplating opening a place that will serve dinner to the entire family for less money than it could be bought and prepared at home. This would take so much responsibility off the weary shoulders of the woman who has the double work of caring for a home and family and trying to earn a living at the same time. In the evening, after dinner, we will probably have box-ball alleys for their amusement, or moving pictures, games, or other things that would tend to make the Salvation Army saloon-restaurant a real community centre for the entire family."—The American "War Cry."

Drink Fills the Graveyards

Give no place to thoughts of what others may think of you, for though this may seem but a slight matter of fact, yet by degrees it will give you much disquiet. Your Kingdom, like your Master's, is not of this world. Remain humble and despised and be glad, for thus was your Master.

WHAT'S DOING ROUND THE WORLD

INTOXICATING BEER

THIS is what the President of the American Medical Association has to say regarding the intoxicating effect of beer:

"The question as to whether beer containing 2½ per cent. alcohol is intoxicating or not is not a matter of scientific medical opinion, but a matter of common knowledge and common sense. It is a matter of common knowledge that beer which has been heretofore sold in the United States, containing from 3½ to 4½ per cent. alcohol, is definitely intoxicating and that an individual can get drunk on a limited number of bottles of such beer. If, for example, the ordinary individual became more or less intoxicated on half a dozen bottles of beer which contained from 3½ to 4½ per cent. alcohol, it is a perfectly plain common-sense proposition that the same individual would become just as intoxicated by drinking instead of six, say eight, bottles of beer containing 2½ per cent. alcohol. There can be absolutely no doubt but that beer containing 2½ per cent. alcohol is an intoxicating beverage in that an individual can become drunk on the amount that is frequently consumed."

WEIGHT OF THE OCEANS

IT has been stated that people are as ignorant of the size of the sea as they are of matters dealing with astronomy.

Few are aware, for instance, that the Pacific Ocean covers 68,000,000 miles; the Atlantic 30,000,000 miles; and the Indian Ocean, Arctic and Antarctic, 42,000,000 miles.

To stow away the contents of the Pacific it would be necessary to fill a tank one mile long, one mile wide, and one mile deep, every day for 440 years. Put in figures, the Pacific holds in weight 948,000,000,000,000,000,000 tons.

The Atlantic averages a depth of not quite three miles. Its waters weigh 325,000,000,000,000,000 tons, and a tank to contain it would have each of its sides 480 miles long.

NORWAY'S REQUIREMENTS

NORWAY offers a market for boots, shoes, clothing, chocolate, apples, plums, dried and canned fruit, cheese, bacon, wheat, canned and chilled meats. This information is contained in a cable from the office of the Canadian High Commissioner in London, which states that the War Trade Intelligence Department advise Canadian manufacturers of their opportunities in these lines.

IMPROVED CONDITIONS

THE Virginia State Federation of Labour by a vote of 78 to 19 has declared that Prohibition had improved the condition of the workers since the State went dry and went on record as favouring the national prohibition of the liquor traffic.

OPPOSED TO DRINK

THE Winnipeg Trades and Labour Council recently passed the following resolution: "This Winnipeg Trades and Labour Council stands opposed to any effort being made to re-introduce the drink traffic."

No Increase in Drug Traffic

Prohibition is Not a Stimulus to the Peddling of "Dope"—What a Police Inspector Says on This Subject

THE contention of friends of the liquor traffic that vice in the form of "dope-taking" had increased alarmingly since prohibition became law was emphatically denied by Inspector Mackie of Court Street Police Station in an interview with a Toronto "Star" representative. In reply to a direct question, the Inspector said that the banishment of liquor had had no visible effect on drug addicts, and while there had been no noticeable decrease in the number of "dope fiends" falling into the hands of the police, there had certainly been no increase.

Will Continue Incurable

"Is it not a fact," the Inspector was asked, "that certain doctors are on Government authority allowed to distribute cocaine and morphine among addicts considered incurable?" To this he replied that "as long as the doctors continued to get their fees for treatment these people will continue to be incurable." There are ways and means, Inspector Mackie declared, of curing even the worst addict by graduated treatment, and this is being done to every habitual taker who comes under their notice. The men, and in a few cases women, are sent to the jail farm for periods of from eight to ten months, depending on their condition, and a gradually decreasing amount of drugs administered to them throughout the period of treatment in most cases entirely eliminates the craving for any form of stimulant.

Supply Curtailed

Asked if there was any organized traffic for the illicit distribution of the drugs in the city, Inspector Mackie stated that none had come under the notice of the police. There were always certain very small quantities being smuggled in, and it was impossible to entirely shut off the supply to the drug fiends. To a great extent, however, the supply has been curtailed, and the result is that habitual takers, unable to obtain drugs to satisfy their craving, easily come into the hands of the police.

Keep it Closed With a Four Times No!

If we repeal the Ontario Temperance Act or vote in the sale of liquors in Government shops we shall face moral and financial disaster.

POINTED QUESTIONS

Can any man answer for the consequences of putting a bottle to his neighbour's mouth?

Do you realize that a vote for the Drink Traffic is a vote for what God has cursed?

If you are a professing Christian, dare you endorse the Drink in any shape or form?

See "The Use of Intoxicating Drink"—Page Two

STOP IT NOW

PROFESSOR Emile Vandevelde, the leader of Belgian Labour Party and Member of the Belgian Cabinet, declares—"Frankly, I see no reason for waiting for the morrow of the social revolution before we stop poisoning ourselves. We should prohibit the manufacture of alcohol du bouche and turn the power of darkness into the power of light by making distilleries producers of industrial alcohol."

DEMAND PROHIBITION

THE Labour parties of Norway, Sweden and Finland demand total abstinence. The Twenty-first Labour Congress in Norway held in Stavanger passed the following resolution—

"This Congress regards the war against the drink evil as a fundamental condition for the uplift of the working class. The societies and press of the Party must break off every connection with alcohol capital. Efforts must be put forward to bring about the greatest possible limitation of the liquor traffic, with Prohibition for the whole country."

DECREASE IN CRIME

FOR the year 1915, when the great volume of liquor traffic was at its height, the population of the seven penitentiaries in Canada was 2,118. In the year 1918 (the last for which statistics have been published) the number of prisoners was 1,463, showing a decrease of 655 in custody in three years.

THE COCOANUT WON

WHEN Prohibition carried in Porto Rico, a large island in the West Indies, with a population of over a million, there were 70 per cent. of the people illiterates. The Government, therefore, placed the emblems of the contending parties on the official ballot paper. The Prohibitionists put their cross against the cocoanut, the anti-Prohibitionists put theirs against a black bottle; the cocoanut won by a majority of 38,196.

FATAL TO HORSES

INVESTIGATIONS carried on by the Biological Laboratory at Ottawa, in connection with the work of the Veterinary Division, Department of Agriculture, have definitely proven that the common bracken has caused beyond doubt the death of many horses on the Pacific coast. Experiments have clearly shown the quantity of this poisonous plant which will produce the disease, known as bracken poisoning. The Veterinary Division has devised ways and means for the cure and the prevention of the affection.

HIGH PENSIONS

NEW ZEALAND pensions are claimed to be the highest in the world. The annual bill now amounts to eight and a half million dollars and it is expected that pensions will reach ten millions a year.

EMPLOYED ON RAILROADS

IN 1918, 143,493 persons were employed on Canadian railways, and the wages and salaries paid to them amounted to a total of $[illegible],[illegible],953, according to the annual report of the Department of Railways and Canals.

In the Valley of Decision

The Story of a Wanderer

"See that ye refuse not Him that Speaketh."

By ADJUTANT GEORGE CARTER, Canada West Territorial Headquarters

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS CHAPTER

Mr. and Mrs. McAriley, who lived in a Nova Scotia town, decided to go to British Columbia, and called on their pastor to acquaint him with their plans. He asked God's blessing upon them and their little son Robert. They eventually journeyed West and were met by Mr. Bright, who gave them a warm welcome and conducted them to his home. They bought a farm on Vancouver Island, but the loneliness and privations so affected Mrs. McAriley's health that they decided to move to the nearest town. Within a few years later, Bob was attracted by the Salvation Army.

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BOB's first thought was that it certainly did not look like a "conquering band" by any means, and the whole demonstration struck him as being rather ridiculous. He very soon found himself wedged in the crowd of people on the street corner who had gathered to see "the powers of hell put to flight." The five Soldiers, after marching round and round in a circle for a number of times, formed themselves into a little ring around which the crowd surged, and threatened every moment to overwhelm. One of the men commenced to give out a song, the first line of which ran,

"O wanderer knowing not
The smile of Jesus' lovely face."

The noise, laughter, and jeers practically ceased, as the man's voice sounded out upon the evening air.

A MESSAGE OF HOPE

The little company sang the verse and followed it up with the refrain, which was in itself a message of hope:

"There's mercy still for thee,
Poor, trembling soul,
He'll make you whole
There's mercy still for thee."

This message in song was sung with deep conviction. There was a ring of authority about it which appealed to the listening crowd, and compelled their attention. A hush fell upon the assembly as one of the young women of the party stepped into the ring, and in clear, almost girlish voice spoke as follows:—

"Dear people, you may think the insertion on our announcement that the powers of hell were to be put to flight to-night, is presumption on our part, but we have come to this town, your town, in the power of the living God. We believe He has sent us. He has a work for us to do here. It is a case of the Powers of Light, against the Powers of Darkness, the Powers of Heaven against the Powers of Hell. We are on the Lord's side, wholly His to do His Divine will and pleasure, for He has done so much for us. We were wanderers, we knew not the smile of God, darkness filled our soule—my soul—but now, thank God, the darkness has been turned into light.

"MERCY STILL!"

"I have been turned from nature's darkness into His most marvellous light, praise God! This is our message, God waits to pardon the sinner, deep-dyed or only a beginner. There are many wanderers around in this crowd to-night who never knew the smile and favour of God. Turn to Him now, the Word says, 'Except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish. Repent ye, for the kingdom of God is at hand.' There's mercy still. Hallelujah!" The slight figure with the earnest, shining face became more eloquent and pleading.

In that great silent crowd were men from all parts of the world; men who had left their homes to seek their fortunes in the great Canadian West. The mountains of the Pacific Coast had

'One of the young women stepped into the ring"

wooed them, and here they were, miners, lumberjacks, fishermen, seamen, a transient crowd, here to-day and gone to-morrow, who had become possessed by the "wanderlust." None of them remembered having the Gospel preached to them with such sincerity and conviction, and certainly not by a woman.

The Officer, for such she was, paused for breath, and in the momentary interval, there arose subdued cries from the crowd for her to "Go on, miss!" "Give it to us hot—we deserve it!"

Another song followed, in which all were invited to join, then a man who was one of the five who had come to "Assault Nanaimo," commenced to address the gathering which every moment grew to larger proportions.

He was the type of man who would appeal to such a crowd; tall and powerfully built and with an air about him of one accustomed to take his own part. He immediately commanded attention.

"Boys," he said, "I don't want to mince matters—I've been a bad 'un from the word go. Nothing was ever too bad for Rodger Rankin, and I haven't got over it as far as this old frame's concerned, for I've treated it mean, but my heart's changed, boys. I'm different inside here." As he spoke he placed his great horny hand upon his chest. "I think different since God for Christ's sake pardoned my black past, and sure thing, He knows it was black—black as the ace of spades. I see one or two of my old pardners here to-night, ask 'em if they know Rodger, there's only one Rodger, although, thank God, the old one's passed away, and a new one has taken his place. He's right here before you to-night. Six months ago I was converted in Victoria, and I have come up here to help these girls 'open fire,' as they call it, on sin and the devil. God lives, boys, to save, and to save the very worst!"

It was plainly evident that Rodger's words "went home," and that they had a striking effect upon his hearers. Soon an invitation was given to the inside meeting, and a great number of people followed to the Hall.

Bob, however, did not do so, but turned aside and wandered more or less aimlessly towards the less-frequented part of the town. He had not only been interested in all that had taken place, but been deeply stirred, more, in fact, than he cared to own even to himself. He seemed to forget what had been said by the different speakers, but two words of the refrain of the first song would continually ring, so to speak, through his mind, "Mercy still, mercy still." The emphasis was always on the word "still." Sometimes it would seem to literally thunder through his brain, "Mercy still, mercy still." Seventeen years of his life had gone by, fritted away, wasted, yet, there was "Mercy still." During those years, although having an outward profession of serving God, it had all been a hollow mockery, but, there was "Mercy still," and the words would reach again and again.

STARTLED FROM REVERIE

He was startled from his reverie by a heavy slap on the back, which was followed up by the exclamation, "What, druuk again, Bob, eh? No? well, something's wrong; you look as miserable as a wet week. Let's go to the Army meeting and have some fun, most of the boys are there." Bob informed the friend who had thus accosted him that he did not feel like it, but thought perhaps he would go the following day. With that he turned away in the direction of his home.

There was little sleep for Bob that night. When he did doze off he would have troubled dreams, and awakes with a start with "Mercy Still" ringing in his ears. Sometimes it would be so pronounced he could have sworn there was some one in the room, repeating the words.

Bob arose late on the following morning and did not go out during the day, but moped around the house. His general demeanour was so gloomy that his mother and some of the other members of the family remarked upon it and wondered whether he was sick.

In the evening his chum Harry called for him and together they went to the Army meeting. On their way to the Hall they met the march returning from the open-air service, followed by a large number of people. The building, capable of seating several hundred, was filled to its utmost capacity. Many stood around the sides, and in the aisles. When the two friends arrived they were ushered, much to their embarrassment, to seats a short distance from the temporary platform. Considering the motley character of those who composed the audience, fairly good order prevailed, although in the rear of the Hall, where a number of youths were seated together, several disturbances arose during the meeting, which ultimately resulted in the disturbers being expelled rather roughly from the building by those who felt it their duty to champion the cause of the two Salvation lassies.

DID NOT MINCE MATTERS

The meeting went with a swing. Bob had never seen such freedom in a religious service before, and although far from being even a nominal Christian, he thought at the time the mode of procedure bordered on the sacrilege. Like the convert from Victoria, these two women Officers certainly did not mince matters. They called sin, sin, no matter what shape it took, and forcefully reminded their hearers that disobedience to God was sin, that all sin, be it small or great in the eyes of man, was alike in the eyes of God.

(To be continued)

HARVEST FESTIVAL DECORATIONS

We regret exceedingly that we find it impracticable to continue to print photos of Harvest Festival Decorations, unless there be something specially novel or outstanding about them. The development that has taken place in the Harvest celebrations during recent years means that so many Corps decorate their Halls that we get so many pictures that it is quite impossible to print all, and to put in some and not others, unless there is good reason for it, would not be fair.

Although there may be some disappointment, we are sure there will be all-round pleasure when it is realized that this rule has had to be made because there has been so general an advance in this department of the Salvation War.

WE ARE Looking For You

We will search for missing persons in any part of the globe, befriend, and, as far as possible, assist anyone in difficulty or perplexity. Address, MAJOR W. PEACOCK, 203 Confederation Life Building, Winnipeg, Man., marking "Enquiry" on envelope.

One dollar should be sent with every case, where possible, to help defray the expenses, in case of reproduction of photograph three dollars ($3) extra.

All Officers, Soldiers, and Friends are requested to assist us by looking regularly through the Missing Column, and to notify Major Peacock if able to give information concerning any case, always stating name and number of same.

MANSON, DONALD (397). About 50 years old. Stonemason. Presumed to be in Toronto. Native of Calthneshire,—Scotland.

JOHNSON, JOSEPH (400). Age 40 years. Medium height, fair complexion. Employed for several years in elevator work in Manitoba. Supposed to be in Alberta now.

ROBINSON, WILLIE (400). Fair complexion, 5 ft. 8 in. in height, age 23. Sometimes works on railway. Last heard of at Bonnheller, Alberta.

LARSEN, OLAF (376). Member of 188th Battalion, C.E.F. Struck off the strength on Winnipeg, July 4th, 1916. Previous to enlistment was farming near Battleford, Saskatchewan.

HARRIS CHARLES (424). Disappeared from 792 McDermot Avenue, Winnipeg, September 16th, 1919. Age 22.

EDWARDS, HARRY (415). Last heard of at 819 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C.

YATES, WILLIAM and LIZZIE (396). Were in Middlemore Home of Birmingham, England, some years ago, but are presumed to have come to Canada.

PETERSEN, OLE PETER (322). Dane. Last heard of April, 1914, at E. D. Hogan's Camp, Henningville, B.C.

MACEY, FRANK (370). Last heard of he was residing with a Mr. Jones on the C.T.P. construction camp near Saskatoon.

HARVEY, ARTEMUS WILSON (322). Age 30, height 5 ft. 10 in. slim, grey eyes, fair complexion; birthmark above one ear. Disappeared from Moose Jaw in April last.

PEARE, FREDERICK JOHN (313). Native of Birmingham. Last heard of in 1912 from Montreal. Stated he was then returning to Winnipeg. Jeweller by occupation. Information to his interest.

KRISTOFFER, MUNKHAUGEN, alias Al Christ Nilson (323). Norwegian. Was in British Columbia for some time. Stated he intended taking up land in Alberta.

SIMMONS, C. P. (329). Presumed to be in Winnipeg.

BOYD, JAMES NICHOLAS (352). Disappeared from Port Arthur in July. Was in employ of C.N.R.

KENNISH, JAMES (354). Canadian. Age 46. Laborer. Last heard of in Vancouver. Member of Foresters' Society.

WILLIS, FRED WHARTON (355). Discharged from C.E.F. May 24th, at Montreal. Age 22, height 5 ft. 10 in. Stated he might go to bush work.

FERGUSON, JAMES (360). Age 46. Farmer. Last heard of in Borock, Man.

BURLEY, ERNEST E. (428). Age 21 years. Irish. Druggist by trade. Disappeared from Winnipeg in September, 1919.

CALGARY I.

Items of Interest Regarding Corps' Activities—Cadets Farewell—Visitors a Means of Blessing

Cadets Elsie Stunnell and Brother Corby were given a good send-off to the Training College. Mrs. Staff-Captain White takes over the Primary class.

Hearty meetings on the Sunday and Wednesday marked the visit of Envoys Burditt and Alward, and the spirit of the Lord was in the midst, blessing all, and bringing numbers out for Salvation and consecration.

Harvest Festival Target has been smashed under Adjutant Merritt's untiring direction. Bandsman Thompson conducted a spirited auction of produce and other gifts for the Fund.

Of visitors we have had a number, whose presence and words have added to the profit of the meetings, notably Envoy Dawson, wife and daughter, of Lethbridge; Commandant and Mrs. Howell, of Regina; Adjutant Macaulay, of Grace Hospital; Bandsman Watson of Lethbridge, and others.

Adrie Jones, formerly of the Boys' Band, and Brother Bullock, have returned safely from overseas within the week.

Sympathy is with Adjutant Brynton, whose mother is very low.

The Corps is moving along well, particularly the open-air work, where hundreds gather.—H.

A Glad Welcome Home!

THE SALVATION ARMY OFFERS TO EVERY RETURNING SOLDIER THE HEARTIEST OF WELCOMES

Hostels where comfortable lodging and good food may be obtained at reasonable prices have already been opened at the places named below.

All Salvationists, many of them returned men themselves, will be delighted to serve the home-comers or their relatives in any way.

Come to the Meetings at the Army Hall, and join in thanking God for victory, peace, and a safe return!

SONGS OF SALVATION

ALL WELCOME HOME

Tune—Oh, the drunkard may come. 186; There's no one like Jesus, 192; Song Book, 37.

Poor sinner, thy Saviour is waiting for thee— [wilt flee;
Is waiting to see if from sin thou His love is so boundless, so full, and so free—
Then why not come home while He's waiting for thee.

Chorus

Oh, the drunkard may come, and the swearer may come.
Backsliders and sinners are all welcome home;
If you will but repent, and be washed in the Blood.
For ever and ever you will dwell with the Lord.

The Lord is now looking, poor sinner, for thee; [misery;
He knows thy poor soul is in great From sin, fear, and death, He would fain set thee free;
Come now to thy Saviour, He's waiting for thee.

The Lord who has bought thee has waited so long,
Oh, haste thee at once, or thy chance will be gone;
Then ever in darkness shut out thou must be [for thee.
For ever from Jesus, who now waits

RETURN TO GOD

Tunes—Lover of the Lord, 46; Manchester, 47; Song-Book, 46.

Return, O wanderer, return,
And seek thy Father's face!
Those new desires which in thee
Were kindled by His grace, [burn

Chorus

Oh, you must be a lover of the Lord,
Or you can't go to Heaven when you die.

Return, O wanderer, return.
He hears Thy humble sigh;
He sees thy softened spirit mourn,
When no one else is nigh.

Return, O wanderer, return;
Thy Saviour bids thee live,
Come to His Cross, and grateful
How freely He'll forgive. [learn

Salvation Army Hostels

WINNIPEG—Logan Avenue East, near Main Street
VANCOUVER—Gore Avenue (Naval and Military)
VICTORIA, B.C.—589 Johnston Street
PORT ARTHUR—219 Pearl Street
CALGARY—214 Ninth Avenue East
FORT WILLIAM—210 Simpson Street
TORONTO (Soldiers' Dependents)—916 Yonge Street
TORONTO—Corner King and Church Streets
KINGSTON—King and Clarence Streets
LONDON—York and Clarence Streets
ST. JOHN, N.B.—Prince William Street
CHATHAM, Ontario—210 King Street West
HAMILTON—King and Charles Streets
HALIFAX—788 Barrington Street
MONTREAL—Corner Mansfield and Lagauchetiere Streets
QUEBEC—16 Palace Hill

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COMING EVENTS

COLONEL TURNER
(Chief Secretary)

Saskatoon—Sun.-Mon., Oct. 19-20. (Young People's gatherings)
Calgary—Sun.-Mon., Oct. 26-27. (Young People's gatherings)

Major Sims—Saskatoon, Sun.-Mon., Oct. 19-20; Calgary, Sun.-Mon., 26-27.

PARAGRAPHETTES

PERSONAL AND NEWSY

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return as far as Winnipeg during the early part of October.

Mrs. Captain Alexander has been very sick for a long time, but we are glad to say she is now reported to be a little stronger.

Mrs. Captain Hancock has also been poorly, but has again returned to her Corps after a few days away.

Mrs. Adjutant Weir has been on the sick list for the past few weeks, but now seems much better.

Ensign Hodge has been called away from Kelowna to the bedside of her sister, who has been very low. We are glad to learn that her sister is well on the road to recovery now, so the Ensign is able to have a day or two with her mother in Butte before coming back to her Corps.

Ensign Lawson is quickly improving, and she is expected to return to Vancouver shortly.

Ensign Stride and Captain Saunders are still very poorly and not able to take their places at the front of the battle. Remember all our sick comrades in prayer.

CANADA EAST

The Commissioner, supported by the Chief Secretary and Territorial Headquarters' Staff, will conduct a Young People's Day in Toronto on Sunday, October 19th. The Sessions will be held in the Temple, and a large attendance is anticipated. Pray that God may pour out His Spirit on these important meetings, and that much blessing may result.

Owing to the Chief Secretary's visit to Bermuda having been postponed till November, it will now be possible for him and Mrs. McMillan to participate in the Halifax Congress which commences on Wednesday, October 22nd, with a Welcome Meeting in the No. 1. Citadel, the Mayor of Halifax presiding.

In connection with the Congress the foundation stone of the new Maternity Hospital will be laid by the Commissioner on Saturday, October 25th.

Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Bettridge, of the Montreal Division, recently welcomed their only son home from overseas. He brought a bride with him.

Rally Day meetings were conducted at Riverdale by Brigadier Carr. A most enthusiastic, stirring-up time is reported by Ensign Snowden, which it is anticipated will have far-reaching results. In addition there were five seekers at the Mercy Seat at night.

At the unveiling at Port Hope of a monument to the memory of the late Joseph Scriven, author of "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," Adjutant Bunton (Peterboro) gave a brief address. The Bands from Peterboro and Cobourg were also present and played the famous hymn during the ceremony.

Commandant Albert Costs (United States) was a recent visitor to Toronto. He has recently returned from Army service in France. The Commandant is an old Canadian Officer, coming out of St. John. He has also seen service in Western Canada.

Ensign and Mrs. Davis (Campbellton, N.B.) welcomed a baby boy on Tuesday, September 23rd, and Ensign and Mrs. Robbins (Winterton, Nfld.) a girl on Sunday, September 14th.

Captain Charles Pocock, who was transferred to the French Field about a year ago, writes to say that he has now been appointed to open Bordeaux. He has been assisting in the Trade Department at Paris, and is very pleased at the opportunity now before him.

OCEAN TRAVEL

Officers, Soldiers, and Friends of the Salvation Army intending to go to Europe, will find it distinctly to their advantage to book passage with the Immigration Department. Bookings from the British Isles can be arranged. Address communications to Colonel Jacobs, 341 University Street, Montreal; or Major Tudge, 203 Confederation Life Building, Winnipeg, Man.

THE SALVATION ARMY

KNOWS

THAT ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR IS DANGEROUS TO ALL

Officers of the Salvation Army have been at work for fifty years amongst the down-and-outs. They have found that:

(1) The majority of those who have fallen have been brought down by the Drink

(2) That the victims of this evil are of all grades of society. No home, no walk of life, no profession, no class is free from its menace. No precaution but that of Total Abstinence gives safety

The Only Safe Way for all (Rich and Poor Alike) is Prohibition

Therefore All Ontario Citizens Should, on MONDAY, OCTOBER 20th, Mark Their Ballot Papers With

Four X's in the "NO" Column

Do not spoil your ballot by marking it with anything but X four times

		YES	NO
1	Are you in favour of the repeal of the Ontario Temperance Act?		X
2	Are you in favour of the sale of light beer containing not more than two and fifty-one one-hundredths per cent. alcohol weight measure through Government agencies and amendments to The Ontario Temperance Act to permit such sale?		X
3	Are you in favour of the sale of light beer containing not more than two and fifty-one one-hundredths per cent. alcohol weight measure in standard hotels in local municipalities that by a majority vote favour such sale and amendments to The Ontario Temperance Act to permit such sale?		X
4	Are you in favour of the sale of spirituous and malt liquors through Government agencies and amendments to The Ontario Temperance Act to permit such sale?		X

Simply mark X after every question under word No as indicated in sample ballot